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Disabled man faces home limbo after his mother's death

EXCLUSIVE

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A DISABLED man who waited almost a decade to have a downstairs toilet fitted in his home has been forced to move into his late mother's house – and claims he was then told he could be making himself homeless.

Steve Chiocca, 42, says it has been nine and a half years since he first asked for facilities to be installed at his council house in Cavendish Road, Luton.

Mr Chiocca has a degenerative disease which is causing his spine to crumble. He uses crutches to walk and wears a back brace and posture support.

He and his family regularly stayed over at his mother's house in Links Way, Luton, to care for her prior to her death.

They are temporarily being allowed to stay there by landlords South Anglia Housing Association to let Mr Chiocca get his mother's possessions in order, but at some point will be asked to leave – and could have nowhere to go as he has 'abandoned' his council home.

Mr Chiocca said: "We have an outside garden toilet in Cavendish Road but the garden floods and it's not safe for me to go out there because it's slippery.

"I asked the council if I could build an inside downstairs toilet myself in Cavendish Road but they said no.

"When my mum was still alive and my back started to get bad in 2007 I had to go to her house and stay there.

"We are really struggling because my mum died a month ago.

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Steve Chiocca with the lavatory at his mother's house



"The council has said that we are not going to get this house and this is purely because there are no exceptional circumstances – but I feel there are.

"They also say that we are making ourselves homeless since we are abandoning the

Cavendish Road property so we have to keep going back there so we don't lose that house as well."

A spokesman from South Anglia Housing Association said: "We are very sorry to hear about Mr Chiocca's sad loss of his mother and understand that this must be a really upsetting time for him.

"Unfortunately he is not our resident, so we cannot rehome him – he would need to speak to his current landlord.

"To be eligible for succession of tenancy, people need to have lived in the property over the last 12 months as their main home, and not hold a tenancy elsewhere.

"There are big waiting lists for social homes in Luton, and we have to follow housing law to make it fair for all the people who desperately need a home."

A Luton Borough Council spokesman said: "We appreciate Mr Chiocca's wish to stay at Links Way, but he has no legal right to this housing association property which would not meet his long-term needs without major adaptations.

"We only direct-let in exceptional circumstances, for example where there is a unique match between applicant and property, and this is not the case in this situation.

"We very much regret Mr Chiocca has had to wait for the adaptation to Cavendish Road but this is owing to limited budgets and an extremely high demand on the service.

"Mr Chiocca is now on the transfer list with high priority for another suitable property as part of our efforts to speed up a move and make the most economic use of already substantially adapted properties as they become vacant."



Arrest is made over Luton man's suicide bomb in Stockholm

A MAN has been arrested in connection with the Swedish suicide bomb attack by a Luton resident last December.

Terrorist Taimour Abdulwahab al-Abdaly (above), of Argyll Avenue, blew himself up in Stockholm last year but his was the only death.

Two other people were injured in the attack, in which a car bomb was also detonated by the 28-year-old former University of Luton student.

On Tuesday morning a 30-year-old man from Glasgow was arrested under the Terrorism Act (2000) after allegations that he was involved in aiding terrorists in Sweden. Police believe he visited Luton on previous occasions.

The 'intelligence-led' investigation by Strathclyde Police also involves Bedfordshire Police and Metropolitan Police.

The Swedish Security Service said the arrest was made after collaboration between Scotland and Sweden.

In a statement they said there 'could be' a connection between the arrested man and the attack in central Stockholm on December 11.

In a statement Bedfordshire Police said: 'It is believed that the person detained may have visited Luton on previous occasions but is not a resident of the town.

'We are assisting the enquiry at the request of Strathclyde Police and are interviewing some individuals who live in the town as witnesses.

'No arrests have been carried out in Luton.'

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Hospital ups standards after inspectors found mouldy food in fridge

EXCLUSIVE

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INSPECTORS who discovered mouldy food in fridges, ordered a hospital to bring its storage systems up to standard.

During an unannounced visit at Luton & Dunstable Hospital it was found there were 'unsatisfactory procedures in relation to correct recording and storage of food'.

Since then, the L&D has 'put into place procedures which comply fully with food hygiene requirements and recommendations made by local inspectors'.

During their visit, in November, the inspectors also discovered the cleanliness, repair and layout of the hospital kitchens and food

storage were 'excellent'. Since then the hospital has:

- Appointed an independent accredited environmental health officer to advise and help ensure all requirements concerning food hygiene are met in full.

- Fully revised and updated the Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point procedure as required by all food operators to reflect the observations of the inspector.

- Carried out an extensive audit of procedures relating to food storage which also revealed that patients' relatives had been bringing in out-of-date food and leaving it in ward pantry kitchens.

- Replaced any faulty fridges.

- Implemented new monitoring procedures, such as temperature control checks, to ensure all

food is correctly monitored. An L&D spokeswoman said: "We can confirm that we have put into place procedures which comply fully with food hygiene requirements and recommendations made by local inspectors.

"The inspector made recommendations for improving procedures in relation to the labelling and recording of food stored in a freezer and storage of food items in some ward pantry kitchens."

In February 2010, our sister paper *Luton & Dunstable Express* revealed an L&D patient was served food that was three months out of date.

A member of the catering staff was disciplined in June 2009 for 'preparing an out of date meal' and the L&D said it was an 'isolated incident'.



Gavin Shuker

Gavin can't wait to get his teeth into new shadow cabinet position

LUTON South MP Gavin Shuker has been promoted to a ministerial position in the shadow cabinet.

The Labour MP, who has only been in office for ten months, was told on Thursday that he was to take up the senior post with the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra).

As shadow minister for the environment, Mr Shuker's work will cover farming, environmental protection and pollution control, fisheries, the natural environment, plants and animals.

In October, he was given a post as Parliamentary Private Secretary (PPS) to Sadiq Khan, the Shadow Secretary of State for Justice and Shadow Lord Chancellor.

A PPS role is generally considered to be the first step onto a ministerial career. He will no longer continue in this role when he takes up his ministerial position.

Mr Shuker said: "I'm really surprised and honoured to be asked by Ed Miliband to become a Labour frontbencher in the Shadow Environment team. A lot

has happened in the past ten months, but to be promoted twice in that time is a big shock.

"Of course, my priority is Luton and I wouldn't take on any role which detracted from my work here in the town.

"But I'm looking forward to getting my teeth into issues like Forests, Waterways and protecting the Natural Environment – my postbag is full of letters from Luton's residents who believe that some things simply shouldn't be for sale."



Another Sunday another scoop

LUI STRACCIA'S exclusive revelation in last week's *Luton on Sunday* that a man had been arrested in connection with possible sexual offences against patients at Luton & Dunstable Hospital made the news across the country.

The disturbing story appeared in dozens of newspapers, websites, local TV and featured on ITN's main evening news.

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Officer works his part-time magic in a bright yellow van

EXCLUSIVE

BY CHRISTINA JOHNSON
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A POLICEMAN who also works as a magician can be seen driving to Bedfordshire Police meetings in his garish-coloured company van (right).

Dunstable and Houghton Regis Safer Neighbourhood Team Inspector Bill Abram (far right), who uses his yellow personal vehicle for his 'Bill Abram's Magic' firm, describes himself as 'Bill from the Old Bill' and states on his website: 'I am younger than my lack of hair might indicate.'

'My interest in magic started at a time when I needed another challenge and has grown into a passion to entertain.'

'I am a new face on the magic circuit and specialise in close-up magic'.

A Bedfordshire Police spokeswoman said: "Police officers are not allocated a police vehicle. Operational vehicles are



used for operational policing. Officers often use their own vehicle to travel to meetings from their usual work location.

"Officers are required to declare outside business interests and police regulations require officers to declare additional jobs to their chief officer."

"Additional jobs are monitored to ensure there is no conflict of interest with an officer's policing responsibilities and the activities undertaken in their



own time does not have an impact on their role as an officer."

When we approached Insp Abraham he said he did not think it was appropriate to comment.

Raids on takeaways net illegal immigrant workers

FOUR immigration offenders have been caught working illegally at two takeaways.

Officers from the UK Border Agency's Immigration Team for Bedfordshire raided two properties in Luton - Lewsey Chicken 'n' Pizza, in Tomlinson Avenue, and Al Deen Take-Away, in Dunstable Road.

Checks on Monday at the first premises revealed one member of staff a 36-year-old Pakistani man who was working in the preparation of the food, had overstayed his visa.

At Al Deen Take-Away, three members of staff all Pakistani men, were found to be working illegally.

A 54-year-old and a 48-year-old had both overstayed their visas, while another 48-year-old man was found to have entered the country illegally.

The Agency is now working to remove all four men from the country. Both businesses now face potential fines of up to £10,000 per illegal worker unless they can prove that the correct pre-employment checks were carried out.

Chief Immigration Officer Melanie Partridge said: "Where we find people who are in the UK illegally, we will seek to remove them. But we also want to send out a strong message to employers. "It is the legal

responsibility of all businesses to check their employees have the right to work in the UK. There are serious financial penalties for those that ignore this requirement."

Employers unsure of the steps they need to take to avoid employing illegal workers can visit www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/employers or they can call the UK Border Agency's Employers Helpline on 0300 123 4699.

Anyone who suspects that illegal workers are being employed at a business in Bedfordshire can contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 anonymously or visit www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Boy, 13, is one of six charged over break-ins

A 13-year-old was among six people charged in connection with two burglaries in Dunstable on Thursday.

Police charged each of the six with two counts of burglary following an incident in Salters Way, Dunstable, where two garages were broken into and property stolen.

Those charged include three men from Luton - Kenneth Hughes, 38, of St Thomas's Road, Kenny Hughes, 20, of Wigmore Lane, and Barry Cameron, 32, of Oakley Road.

The male juveniles, one of whom is 13 and two of whom are 15, who cannot be named for legal reasons, were the others charged.

They were released on police bail to appear at Luton Magistrates' Court on March 25.

Anyone with information about burglary can contact the Dunstable based Priority Crime Investigation Team in confidence on 01582 473195, or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

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One of the robbers claimed to have a knife when he demanded the victim's cash and phone on the old route between Parkside Drive, Houghton Regis, and Pastures Way, Luton, at around 7.45am on Tuesday.

She handed over a mobile phone and loose change she had at the time and the two ran away from the scene.

PC Barry Kerr said the men were white, aged around 17 and wore black hooded tops, black trousers and black trainers. One wore an orange scarf across his face and the other had a green scarf.

Anyone with information can phone PC Kerr, in confidence, on 01234 842637, or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

Paedo jailed for preying on girls

BY JULIA SUTTON
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A PAEDOPHILE who raped one young girl and sexually abused two others has been jailed for a total of 19 years.

Timothy Minchin, 52, carried out the assaults on his victims, who were aged between ten and 18, in a period between 1990 and 2009 at addresses in Watford and in a car.

Minchin, of South Drift Way, Luton, was convicted by a jury at St Albans Crown Court of eight charges on Thursday.

He was found guilty of two charges of rape, one of attempted rape and three of indecent assault on one girl when she was aged between ten and 18.

She was to tell the police: "My life was ruined by this man."

The jury also convicted him of indecently assaulting another girl when she was 17 in 2004 and was also found guilty of assault by penetration

on a 12-year-old girl in a car in 2009.

Nerida Harford-Bell, defending, said Minchin, who worked as a driver, had been sexually abused himself as a child.

She said: "He now recognises the harm he had done to others."

She said he had always worked from the age of 15, despite suffering from educational limitations.

Judge Andrew Bright QC passed a 12-year sentence for the offences on the first girl with consecutive sentence of six months for the assault on the 17-year-old and a further six and a half years for the third attack.

He told Minchin: "You showed no sign of contrition or remorse for the very great damage you did to at least two if not all three."

"I hope you realise the damage you have caused - damage from which they are unlikely to recover."

Detective Constable Rob Scott said: "We are very pleased with the outcome of this case and feel that the sentencing suitably reflects the gravity of the offences committed."

"The victims in this case showed tremendous courage in coming forward."

"The Constabulary is committed to tackling those who sexually abuse children and we would urge anyone who believes they have been a victim of such crimes to come forward, no matter how long ago the offences occurred."

Minchin must serve two-thirds of the 12-year sentence and half of the other two sentences before he can be considered for parole.

The judge ordered that he signs the Sex Offenders' Register for the rest of his life.

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Chopper response times to double if base is axed

EXCLUSIVE

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POLICE helicopter response times to Luton will double if plans to axe the county service's base get the go-ahead, we can reveal.

It takes Bedfordshire Police's Chiltern Air Support Unit fewer than ten minutes to reach South Bedfordshire from its current base at RAF Henlow just over ten miles away.

The proposed National Police Air Service has suggested axing Henlow and making Bedfordshire's nearest bases Lippetts Hill, in Loughton, Essex, and RAF Benson in Oxfordshire - both of which are around 30 miles away.

From these destinations, the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) said it would take up to 20 minutes to reach anywhere in the county. The recommended air speed for police helicopters is 175 mph.

Peter Conniff, chairman of watchdog Bedfordshire Police Authority, said: "The proposals are for a number of centres around the country.

"It'd make more efficient use of the aircraft, but the response times would depend on where the regional centres are based.

"Until we know exactly where that is for Bedfordshire, it's hard to



make any comment at all on that. There are a number of suggestions as to where they should be. It's a very short shortlist. By the end of the year we'll know more.

"I must say though that having Henlow and Thames Valley Police has served us extremely well.

"It's an expensive service, but vital when you need it, particularly if you're chasing cars down motorways, and it's very good for missing persons too with the thermal imaging cameras. They're very useful things to have."

The current unit has two helicopters covering five counties - Oxfordshire, Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire - and three police forces. The other helicopter is

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"If the current position is accepted, this would not happen until after the Olympics and therefore the aircraft would remain at Henlow until 2013.

"The new proposals would provide a response time of 20 minutes to the whole of Bedfordshire and result in potential savings of £280,000.

"All of these proposals are subject to approval from Police Authorities and individual Chief Constables."

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Council tax has almost doubled over 11 years

EXCLUSIVE

BY CHRISTINA JOHNSON
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COUNCIL tax in Luton is almost twice as much as it was 11 years ago.

In 1999/2000, the bill for a band D property in the town was £706.81, with £645.45 going to Luton Borough Council and £61.36 to Bedfordshire Police Authority.

For 2010/11, residents in the same band are forking out £1,371.10 – £1,143.89 of which went to the council, £144.77 to the police authority and £82.44 to the fire authority.

Council tax for band D properties in Dunstable this year was £1,668.77, but a spokesman for Central Bedfordshire Council, which was created in 2009, said it 'did not have' the figure paid by residents who lived in the area of the now defunct South Bedfordshire District Council in 1999/2000.

Speaking about Luton's council



Councillor
Robin Harris

tax nearly doubling since 1999, a TaxPayers' Alliance spokeswoman said: "Sadly there has not been a corresponding improvement in services. Instead, inflated pay packets and bloated bureaucracy have placed increasing demands on council coffers. The council needs to cut back on

wasteful spending, increase efficiency and focus on frontline services if it's to maintain standards in these tough financial conditions."

A Town Hall spokesman said a rise in the costs to provide the authority's most expensive statutory services such as looking after vulnerable children and adults and disposing of waste contributed to this.

He added: "Luton's council tax is the lowest in Bedfordshire and comfortably below both the national and unitary authority averages."

Cllr Robin Harris, portfolio holder for finance, said: "If you look at Luton, the rise is within the average of the rest of the country and is significantly lower than neighbouring authorities."

"The level of service people get is much higher and I think people will see they get a great deal here."

David Franks, leader of the Town Hall's Liberal Democrat group, refused to comment.

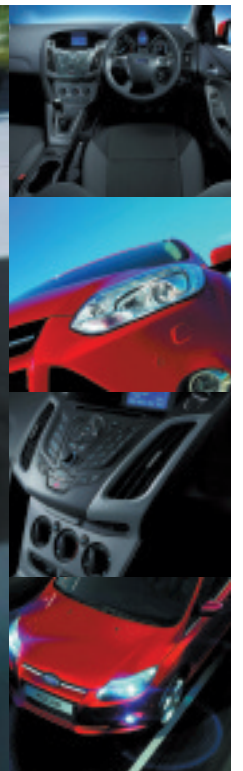
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£9m facility on Marsh Farm to open

A **COMMUNITY support programme will end its ten-year stint later this month - marked by the official opening of a £9 million resource centre.**

The Marsh Farm New Deal for Communities (NDC) scheme will make way for the new self-supporting organisation Marsh Farm Futures, based at the Community Enterprise and Resource Centre (CERC), at the heart of the estate.

Marsh Farm Community Development Trust has managed the £48 million regeneration programme since it began in 2001.

During the past decade the Trust has supported many people, projects and initiatives across the estate through bursaries, improved lighting and CCTV, health education, and improved neighbourhood policing, helping to:

- reduce levels of crime
- improve education standards across all age groups
- improve health
- improve housing and the environment
- tackle unemployment issues

The jewel in the crown of the programme is the new CERC building, Futures House, which officially opens on March 26.

The state-of-the-art, purpose-built facility houses a new children's play park, enterprise space and a range

of services from Luton Borough Council, the primary care trust and Bedfordshire Police.

It will create a fully integrated and flexible community, health and social care service. The building also offers meeting rooms and a large community hall.

Dave Crean has been the chairman of the Trust since it began and has seen many achievements and work during this time.

He said: "It has been a real honour to have been involved in the work of the NDC programme over the past ten years."

"Many people from the local community have played their part either through working at the Trust or running projects."

"The new CERC building, Futures House, is an amazing legacy which I know will serve Marsh Farm well over the years to come as a fantastic resource for the whole community."

Marsh Farm Futures will take up the mantle of the Trust from April to meet the needs of people, businesses and the area as a whole.

The community will be encouraged to play a role in initiating and delivering the new enterprises and activities to improve the well-being and quality of life for all who live and work in Marsh Farm.

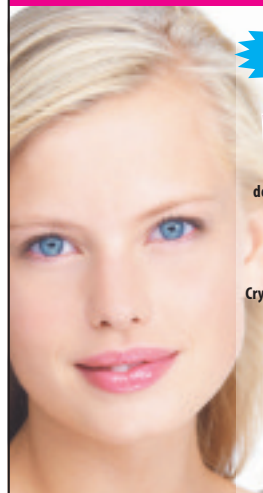
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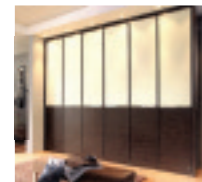
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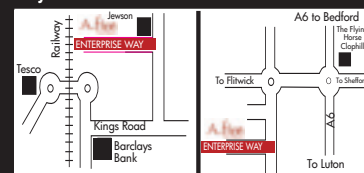
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GP budget mistake

SIR - While the vast majority of GPs are very dedicated doctors, it is highly likely that a small number of GPs will see that having control of the NHS budget of £80 billion will be a new 'gravy train', an opportunity to make lots of money, at the expense of their customer patients.

Successive Governments have treated the NHS as a political football, money has been wasted every time there is a change in Government, no doubt it will happen again in five years time, when it is likely to be another change of Government.

Systems in hospitals are not being given a chance to settle down, there is too much constant change.

Private hospitals are lucky, do not have the problem with politicians giving them grief all the time.

Have a good day.

Peadar McKenna,
Hanover Court, Nappsbury Road, Luton

Employees in mind

SIR - In response to your letter from Warren Kenny of the GMB in last week's *Luton on Sunday*, we'd like to assure you of our continued commitment to LuDun's employees.

The difficult decision to close LuDun was made in the context of unprecedented public spending cuts and work by the Trustees and Central Bedfordshire Council's Social Care, Health and Housing service to explore options for the future of LuDun.

In considering LuDun's future we have sought advice from various quarters and have listened carefully to this.

We have had realistic, objective and uncompromising advice from financial and marketing experts about the sustainability of the current business.

This gave us clear and consistent feedback that the present set-up is not financially viable and nor does it have the potential to operate as a business.

We have also taken into account thinking from care experts about the opportunities that should be offered to adults in supported employment.

Given these findings and faced with having to make £20 million of savings, Central Bedfordshire councillors took the decision not to continue with what would have been a substantial and ongoing subsidy for LuDun.

Given that the factory operates at a loss of £300,000 a year, using money from Reserves to prop it up temporarily would not have been an effective use of tax payers' money because it would only have delayed the inevitable.

Rather than spend more time trying to save an unprofitable factory that does not meet its employees' wider needs, we are focussing our efforts on finding longer term solutions for the LuDun employees.

We are currently supporting them through the redundancy and redeployment process as well as looking at what other care support they may need so that they are not left vulnerable.

For those employees who want to find suitable employment elsewhere we are bringing in specialist

Hospital given the 'utmost praise' for patient care

SIR - It seems there are so many bad words spoken about hospital care that I need to give this positive feedback after three consecutive and lengthy visits to Luton & Dunstable Hospital.

Firstly, I was a patient in ward 1 on November 17, 2010. After a few days I was moved to ward 2.

I was in hospital during this first stay for more than three weeks and can say the TLC I received, even during the disruption of the move, was unbelievable.

I couldn't have put a value on the care and treatment. After my second visit to ward 2 (my third visit overall) I can say that a millionaire would be pleased with that level of care.

These visits were for two operations that resulted in saving my terribly infected leg, for which I have to give the utmost praise and thanks to Mr Sarkar and his



team, whose skill, determination, professionalism and care have given me the chance to return to a normal quality of life. In between the visits to ward 2, I was admitted to ward 14 with a serious infection, and was there, too, for a week.

Again I compliment the ward for its high standard of care.

Finally, in between all these visits I had antibiotics delivered to me twice a day, at home for at least two hours on each visit, from rapid response nurses and community nurses who also deserve praise for their unfaultable care which lasted three weeks.

Brian Davis
by email

advisors to help them consider their options, develop their skills and look for jobs.

Additionally the Trustees will work with partner organisations to strive to develop a new model for the continuation of the Trust's work to support local disabled people into employment.

Clir Carole Hegley, Portfolio Holder for Adult Care Services, Central Bedfordshire Council
Peter Hollick, Chairman of LuDun Trustees

Town children suffering

SIR - A leading Luton councillor has accused the coalition Government of helping wealthy counties like Buckinghamshire and Hertfordshire at the expense of children in Luton.

Labour Cllr Tahir Khan, Luton Borough Council's lead member for Children's Services, was commenting on research commissioned from the House of Commons Library by shadow education secretary Andy Burnham.

This shows that central Government funding to support Luton's children is to be cut by up to twice as much as in neighbouring areas.

The Government is replacing funding for services including Sure Start children's centres and teenage pregnancy with an early intervention grant, which will be worth less overall than is currently available to spend on these services.

In Luton, this will mean a reduction of around £60 per child, while in Hertfordshire and Buckinghamshire the reduction will be only half that, at about £30 per child. For the rest of Bedfordshire, the cut is £40 per child.

Cllr Khan said: "Once again this Tory/Lib Dem Government is

attacking poorer families while protecting the rich. The Prime Minister made a personal promise to protect and build on Sure Start. Now we know that these were just hollow words and yet another broken promise to the families of our country."

Gavin Shuker, Labour MP for Luton South, added: "The more deprived areas like Luton are being hit hardest. It's not only unfair, it's the wrong long-term decision for the country. By cutting too far and too fast and asking children and families to bear the brunt, this Tory-led Government is showing that they have no idea what pressure ordinary families are under."

Labour Cllr Keir Gale
Luton Borough Council South ward

Time to ditch AV hopes

SIR - Now after the trouncing we (Liberal Democrats) received at the Barnsley by-election this week, isn't it time the Lib Dem leadership expunged the abject willingness of their AV hopes?

Preferably before the party disappears down the plughole.

Anthony Lawrence
Mayfield, Luton

Easy time for prisoners

SIR - Transsexual prisoners are allowed to wear bras and make-up in jail. What next? When the key turns and the door opens, do they hear 'Slop out', or 'Avon calling'?

They don't have to sew mailbags any more. They all line up for a bikini wax or a pedicure. I thought prison was suppose to be a form of punishment.

The only people being punished are the taxpayers.

John Tucker
Bracklesham Gardens, Luton

Support autism suffers

SIR - As a supporter of the National Autistic Society living in the area, I am extremely concerned about the Government's Disability Living Allowance (DLA) reforms.

The reform means people with autism will have to undergo a stringent face-to-face assessment in order to claim this vital benefit.

Autism is a 'hidden' disability and unless assessors have specific training in the condition, it is very likely the needs of people with autism will be misunderstood or overlooked.

I would like to appeal to our local MP to bring this issue to parliament in line with the National Autistic Society's Who Benefits? campaign, which puts forward the following four points aimed at protecting society's most vulnerable:

■ People shouldn't have to go through a face-to-face assessment if they already have sufficient evidence about their autism from previous assessments.

■ People with autism experience a variety of difficulties with daily life. The Government must make sure that these are reflected in the new assessment.

■ Assessors must be trained so that they understand autism and how to talk to someone with autism, and can make a fair assessment of that person's needs.

■ The Government must not abolish mobility component of DLA for people living in residential care.

I urge others in the area to take action now by visiting www.autism.org.uk/whobenefits

Mrs Claire Murray
Turnpike Drive, Luton

A week of fundraising

SIR - I am writing to ask your readers to lend their support to CLIC Sargent, the UK's leading cancer charity for children and young people, by getting behind Yummy Mummy Week 2011, which runs from Saturday, March 26, to Sunday, April 3 (Mother's Day).

The week is all about mums having fun hosting their own fundraising events and spending quality time

with their children, family and friends.

All the money raised will help CLIC Sargent continue to provide clinical, practical and emotional support for children and young people with cancer.

There are lots of ways you can support Yummy Mummy Week so why not organise your own fundraiser such as a pamper night, a coffee morning or hold your own sponsored walk in your wellies?

Last year mums in Bedfordshire pulled out all the stops as part of Yummy Mummy Week.

Fundraising events ranged from coffee mornings to sponsored walks helping to raise a total of £1,210.

That money, could for example, pay for six community support grants to help families meet the cost of any extra support they might need to maintain normal life like childcare, home help, ironing and shopping. This allows parents to spend more time at hospital with their ill child.

What could be better than spending some quality time with friends and family while raising money for families affected by childhood cancer at the same time?

If fundraising is not for you then why not support the campaign by purchasing gifts from the fantastic Yummy Mummy product range.

Getting involved is easy, just visit www.yummymummy.org.uk or call 08451 206 658 to register for your fundraising pack.

Clare Norrish
CLIC Sargent Event Fundraising Manager for Luton

China greyhounds worry

SIR - A group of leading UK animal welfare organisations alongside the governing body for dogs in the UK are extremely concerned by recent press reports that the Irish Greyhound Board (IGB) is supposedly advising Chinese investors on the building and running of greyhound tracks in the People's Republic of China.

Of particular concern is the possible export of Irish greyhounds to China.

The IGB has been asked to clarify its position but as yet, has not responded.

The group believes that if this venture is being pursued, it is with no consideration for the welfare of greyhounds.

The welfare needs of these animals are unlikely to be met in China, where no regulation exists of any kind to protect domestic animals.

This group includes Dogs Trust, The Blue Cross, Battersea Dogs & Cats Home, Wood Green Animal Shelters, RSPCA and the Kennel Club.

The animal welfare organisations concerned are all part of the International Greyhound Forum.

Currently 75 per cent of Irish greyhounds race in the UK where their welfare can be monitored (to some extent), but this would be impossible in China.

The group strongly urge the IGB to reconsider their reported plans and ask them to think about how damaging this move could be for the welfare of Irish greyhounds.

Clarissa Baldwin
Dogs Trust chief executive

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Fireman's push was act of self defence

EXCLUSIVE

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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A FIREFIGHTER has been cleared of assault in connection with a fight at a nightclub.

Dominic Sozzo, 30, who has worked for Bedfordshire and Luton Fire and Rescue Service for eight years, was found not guilty of assault occasioning actual bodily harm (ABH) by a jury on Wednesday. The jury gave a majority verdict.

Mr Sozzo was working at the Luton fire station at the time of the incident at Time Out, in Bedford, in October 2009.

It was heard at Cambridge Crown Court how he pushed Dino Lionetti, from which Mr Lionetti suffered a cut to the

head requiring four stitches. The court viewed CCTV footage which showed he was confronted by Mr Lionetti, accompanied by a friend, and a verbal exchange took place.

Mr Sozzo, of Bedford, was then seen to push Mr Lionetti to the floor. He claimed he acted in self defence.

Giving evidence, Mr Sozzo said: "It looked like Zoe and Dino were having a barney and Dino walked away. I was standing a few yards away by a pillar and I went over to see if she was OK and gave her a peck on the cheek.

"Some stuff was missing from her handbag, make-up and money, she told me, and I started looking on the floor to help find the items.

"I could see Dino from my left

smoking a cigarette, I was looking down at the floor and he was walking straight at me with a cigarette in his mouth.

"I could see he wasn't happy, his eyes looked like they were possessed and he was making a beeline straight towards me.

"He came over and he was effing and blinding asking what the f*** it's got to do with me.

"I was looking down and his mate came over. I was stood there by myself and I was boxed in and had nowhere to go.

"I was scared, I was fearful that he was going to hit me or strike me.

"I did not want to hurt the guy, if I did I would have punched him. I didn't want to be in the situation I was in."

The fire service declined to comment.

Robbery duo lose nerve and make off with only a phone

TWO men held up a shop and threatened a member of staff – but panicked and escaped with just a mobile phone.

The robbers entered the Nafisas clothing store in Dunstable Road, Luton, at around 7.30pm on Monday when they made their threat.

But they then panicked and left with the victim's Apple iPhone, making off on foot towards Kingsway.

One man was white, in his early twenties, with a skinny build and approximately 5ft 6ins tall. He was wearing a black hooded jacket and black tracksuit bottoms.

The second man was black, in his early twenties and wearing a black hooded jacket and navy tracksuit bottoms.

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Maybe it's time to scrap Bank Holidays

THERE are some things I should like but just don't. Helpful waiters who pour my wine, Question Time, quiz nights, real ale. And, of course, Bank Holidays.

They are a complete anachronism, invented when working people did not have holidays at all.

They are no longer needed, as companies could just give another week's holiday, which could be managed much better than Bank Holidays. And at least half the working population, in hospitals, shops, emergency services, pubs, hotels, journalists, taxi drivers, and so on have to go to work.

Many of them will be cleaning up the mess of the revellers, or the revellers themselves.

So I do not understand why this Government, which allegedly wants to burn all these unproductive and ancient practices, is giving us more Bank Holidays. It is also talking about moving them around.

Next month we have Friday 22 off for Good Friday, then Monday 25 for Easter Monday, to be followed by Friday 29 for a Royal Wedding and the next Monday for May Day. The last but one is apparently a one-off but there are plenty more Royals of a marriageable age, so it may become a feature of post-banking-recession life.

In fact another extra one has been announced for next year, to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, which will be added to the later Spring Bank Holiday.

Our manufacturing industry could be boosted by a demand for bunting and trestle tables.

At the same time the Con-Dem Government is looking to move May Day, as there are too many Bank Holidays in that month, to St George's Day, which in case they did not know, falls in April. We would be getting close to a Bank Holiday week.

Perhaps the idea of workers' solidarity is a bit scary, especially as this time the police and civil servants will likely to be joining the marches rather than trying to prevent them.

So if the Government had its way we would be having a three day week at the end of April. More Ted Heath than Margaret Thatcher.

Also I am not keen on St George's Day as a national holiday. Many who propose it often cite St Patrick's Day as a good example, no doubt forgetting that it first took its modern form in New York, as a fund-raising day for the IRA. I accept that St George's Day is unlikely to turn into Al Qaeda Day and may well instead become a horrible jingoistic day and one which gives emergency wards in hospitals a torrid time.

At best we should leave well alone but I feel the Bank Holiday needs not just reforming but

simply dumping. Or we could have just the one, called Banks pay a fair tax Day.

I HAVE some sympathy with the Government on how its best intentions can quickly be derailed.

Let's get rid of the nanny state and all those totally unnecessary Quangos is one of their populist mantras. And who could disagree?

This week I hear on the radio that the Government is to make shopkeepers sell cigarettes from under the counter in plain packets.

People will have to shuffle up to the counter and whisper 'Ssh, got any fags?' Having seen people die from lung cancer, I am in complete agreement with them on this one.

But it hardly sits well with freeing the common man from the nanny state. On the same day it was announced that the number of children in educational special needs will be reduced.

Again I sympathise, as there is plenty of evidence that schools place children in special needs for the flimsiest of reasons.

But I could not help smiling when the Minister said they were going to ask voluntary agencies to help establish a board to oversee this.

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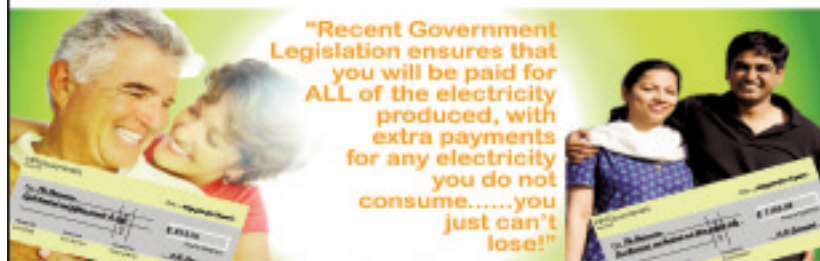


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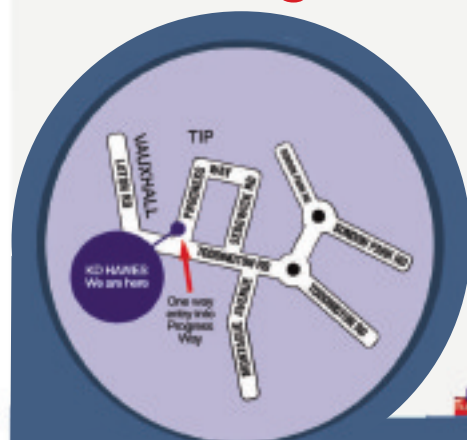
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This is the message being put out by Luton Rape Crisis Centre.

Sarah Winterflood, who has worked at the support group for a year, said: "There are a lot of myths surrounding sexual violence. These include 'she was wearing the shortest skirt – she was asking for it'.

"This is unacceptable and we will continue to challenge these myths.

"The fact remains the vast majority of sex crimes are committed by men against women, and the vast majority of those who make the laws are men.

"Men tend to control the power within society and can have no or little experience of sexual violence.

"Public attitudes tend to focus far too much on the behaviour of women.

"We think it's so important that it's International Women's Month and this gives women a platform to voice their concerns around gender and equality.

"We live in a male-dominated society and women need to get their voices heard."

The crisis centre, which is currently based in Old Bedford Road, Luton offers a telephone helpline, face-to-face emotional support and practical information.

WITH March marking International Women's Month, Luton Rape Crisis (LRC) is campaigning to tackle the myths surrounding sexual violence. Wednesday will see the centre launching its first evening helpline to give women victims the chance to talk to someone in confidence. Reporter CHRISTINA JOHNSON spoke to LRC manager Sarah Winterflood...



Miss Winterflood said: "We provide a safe and confidential place for survivors of any form of sexual violence.

"LRC recognises how difficult it can be to talk about sexual violence and the helpline is a safe space to empower women to

find the words. We understand and respect the effects it can have and respect the many ways that survivors of sexual violence find to cope with their experiences."

The legal definition of rape is penetration without reasonable belief of consent or where someone is reckless in gaining that consent.

Consent is being free to say 'yes' or 'no' and having the capacity to make that consent.

In 2004 a Home Office study found that among women subjected to an act that met the legal definition of rape, only 43 per cent thought of it as rape.

The Home Office has also found that the perpetrator was a current husband or partner in nearly half of all cases, a friend or acquaintance, date or former partner in more than a quarter of cases, and a stranger in fewer than 15 per cent.

When speaking about why rape may not be reported Miss Winterflood said: "Victims are traumatised and may be unwilling to undergo intrusive

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examinations and personal questions about their sexual habits. Often it seems victims are held partially responsible for the assault and many don't think they will be treated sensitively by the authorities.

"What is clear is that only a change of attitude from the public and authorities and better support, more understanding and greater empowerment and protection, will see these crimes reported."

LRC, which provide support across the whole of Bedfordshire, has been running for a year and a half and all the volunteers are trained in counselling and specialise in dealing with sexual violence. She said: "We have a team of five, including myself, and the four others are volunteers."

"They are very committed and have a lot of compassion for the work that they do. This is a service which is so important but there is so little recognition."

The LRC is holding a conference to tackle the myths surrounding sexual violence on Thursday, March 31 in conjunction with International Women's Month. For information about the venue and times email lutonrapecrisis@gmail.com

Sarah Winterflood from Luton Rape Crisis



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Passengers are left fuming following bus service axe

BY SOPHIE SCOTT

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BUS passengers are angry at a decision to cut a service to their estate which will mean they have to pay extra to use another company.

The 231 Centrebus will stop its route through Bushmead, Luton, at the end of the month and residents feel it is a mistake.

Liz Farrell, of Farmbrook, uses this service, currently subsidised by Central Bedfordshire Council, to get to work in the town centre.

She said: "I can't believe the council is cutting this service through Bushmead. It serves the estate well and now I will have to walk to Hancock Drive to get a bus which I know isn't very reliable."

"The Government and council are always saying people need to use public transport to get to work but this is going to make it very difficult to do."

"I can't afford to get a taxi every day. I am fed up with the cuts being made which affect the public. Maybe the council should cut some of its outrageous salaries."

"Why don't they let the service run at peak times? Surely that is



ANGRY: Liz Farrell used the cut bus service as a means of getting to work

not that much more expensive or they could even put the price up a little bit to £10 a week."

Nuala Prior, of Blakeney Drive, also uses the service to get to work. She said: "I will now have to pay nearly double the price a week to get the other bus and last time I tried to take it it didn't even turn up and I had to take a taxi to work."

Cllr David McVicar, said: "Some of these services will continue at a lower frequency while others will be replaced by community transport."

"Unfortunately, some of the bus services we currently support will cease to operate completely due to the very small number of people using them."

"The 231 service to Bushmead will finish on March 25 and will not be replaced and existing users will need to catch the 24 service instead."

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BY LUI STRACCIA

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Qurban Hussain, of SJS Newsagents and Q H News and Groceries, in Marsh Road, Luton, pleaded guilty to a charge of failing to provide waste transfer notes at Luton Magistrates' Court.

The court heard how a Luton Borough Council enforcement officer found a black bag containing packing lists, sales point sheets, recall sheets, envelopes and labels relating to Hussain in a public litter bin outside his shop.

Despite notifying an employee that trade waste should not be put in public litter bins, a second bag of waste from the shop was found in the same bin four days later.

Under section 34 of the Environment Protection Act, all businesses have a duty of care to dispose of their waste through authorised trade waste collection services and must be able to



Cllr Dave Taylor

prove this. After establishing that Hussain was liable for the business, the Council issued him with a section 34 notice along with an invitation to a formal police and

criminal evidence interview on November, at which he was requested to bring his transfer notes with him.

Hussain failed to attend his interview and did not contact the Council to make them aware that he would not be attending. This led to a section 34 fixed penalty notice being issued.

Upon his guilty plea, the court fined Hussain £300 plus a £15 victim surcharge. He was also ordered to pay £351 towards the Council's costs.

Cllr Dave Taylor, portfolio holder for waste management, said: "There are strict regulations in place to ensure businesses follow the correct channels when it comes to waste disposal to protect the environment and public health.

"In this type of case, it is vital to ensure waste is removed responsibly so that public bins are not over-brimming with trade waste."

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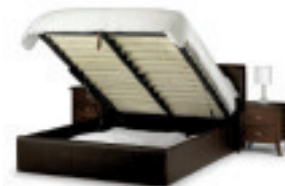
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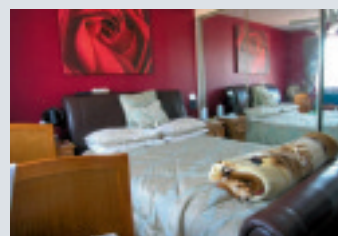
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Gilder Close, Barton Hills Price £209,995



BARGAIN PRICE for this three double bedroom detached house located in this quiet cul de sac location. The house is offered with no upper chain and therefore offers the opportunity of a quick sale. The home has the benefit of a lounge and separate dining area along with a good sized conservatory and a modern kitchen with three double bedrooms, en suite and large family bathroom. The gardens are fully enclosed and there is a single integral garage. Call for an early viewing



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Bramingham Price £159,950



- Priced To Sell
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge / Diner
- Fitted Kitchen
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazed
- Garden
- Garage

Limbury/Icknield Price £172,495



- Three Large Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Cloakroom
- Bathroom
- Loft Room
- Gardens

Luton Town Centre Price £55,000



- One Bedroom Flat
- Close To Town Centre
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Shower Room
- Double Glazed

Bramingham Price £179,995



- No Upper Chain
- Immaculate Condition
- Three Bedrooms
- Newly Fitted Kitchen
- Newly Fitted Bathroom

Bushmead Price £205,000



- Three Bed Detached
- Lounge / Diner
- Fitted Kitchen
- Cloakroom
- En - Suite
- Double Glazed
- Garage
- Popular Location

Wigmore Price £134,950



- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Modern Kitchen
- Gas Central Heating
- Full Double Glazing
- Garden
- Parking
- Internal Viewing A

Round Green Price £174,995



- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Fitted Kitchen
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazed
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West Luton Price £92,995



- One Bed Apartment
- Lounge
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- Double Bedroom
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Leagrave Price £159,950



- Excellent Price
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Dining Area
- Conservatory
- Bathroom
- Double Glazed
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- Mock Tudor Semi Detached
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- Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazed
- Car Port

Barton Hills Price £209,995



- Three Bedrooms
- Located On Corner Plot
- Lounge
- Cloakroom
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazed
- Gardens

Wardown Price £184,950



- No Upper Chain
- Three Bedrooms
- Fitted Kitchen / Diner
- En - Suite Shower Room
- Double Glazed
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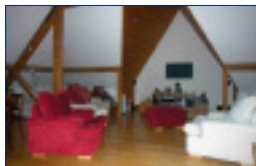
- Four Bedrooms
- Double Width Garage
- Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen
- Cloakroom
- Fitted Wardrobes
- Shower Room

Bury Park Price £210,000



- Three Large Bedrooms
- Corner Plot
- Garaging For 3 Cars
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Workshop
- Staircase To Loft

Luton Town Centre Price £295,000



- Victorian Loft Apartment
- Unique
- Two Bedrooms
- Within Listed Building
- Original Features
- Modern Kitchen

Wigmore Price £299,995



- Four Bedroom
- Detached
- Double Garage
- Lounge
- Conservatory
- Utility Room
- Cloakroom
- En - Suite

L + D Borders Price £139,950



- No Upper Chain
- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Two Double
- Modern Kitchen
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazed
- Driveway

Bushmead Price £185,000



- Three Bedrooms
- Corner Plot
- Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen/Diner
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazed
- Private Garden
- Garage and

Sundon Park Price £199,950



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- Security Entrance
- Allocated Parking
- White Goods

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- Available Now

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- Gas Central Heating
- Unfurnished
- Available Now

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**1 Bedroom Flat**

- Intercom System
- Allocated Parking
- Close to Junction 11 of the M1
- Gas Central Heating
- Furnished & Available April

OLD BEDFORD RD AREA

£600 pcm

**2 Bedroom Apartment**

- Close to Luton Town Centre
- Allocated Parking
- Double Glazed Windows
- Ensuite to Master Bedroom
- Furnished & Available April

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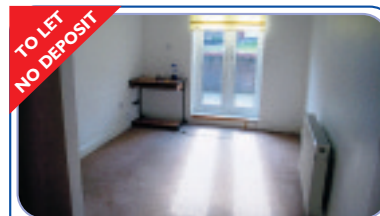
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2 bed terrace Gas c/h Dble Glazed Gardens Garage White goods only



South Luton | £500

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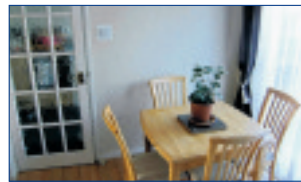
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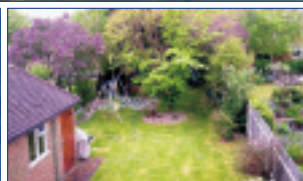
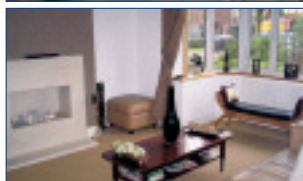
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- Attractive Three Bedroom Home
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- Dining Area
- Fitted Kitchen



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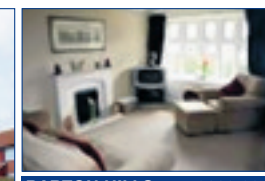
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- No Onward Chain



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- Modern Home
- Two Bedrooms
- Open Plan Lounge/Diner
- Private Garden
- Allocated Parking



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- Potential to extend STPP
- Two Reception Rooms
- Garage & Parking
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- Private Garden
- Detached Garage
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- Garage & Parking
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- Detached Bungalow
- Three Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Sitting Room
- Private Garden
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- Lovely Four Bedroom Home
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- Refitted Kitchen
- Garage & Driveway
- Private Garden
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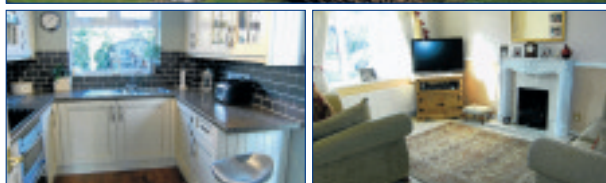
BUSHMEAD £255,000

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- Two Reception Rooms
- Conservatory
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Private Garden
- Garage & Parkin



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- Detached Garage
- Ample Parking



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- Three Reception Rooms
- En Suite to Master
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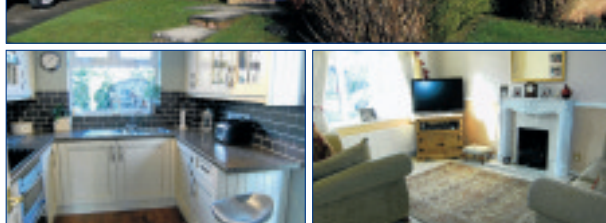
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- Three Double Bedrooms
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- Conservatory
- Garage & Driveway
- Private Garden



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- Open Plan Reception
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- Two Reception Areas
- Refitted Kitchen
- Private Garden
- Allocated Parking



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Icknield,

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Spacious 1930's bay fronted terrace house, in need of modernisation throughout. The property benefits from gas radiator heating, part double glazed, garden in excess of 90ft, off street parking, and is offered with no upper chain.

Plenty of space, Leagrave Area

OIEO £190,000



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- NO UPPER CHAIN

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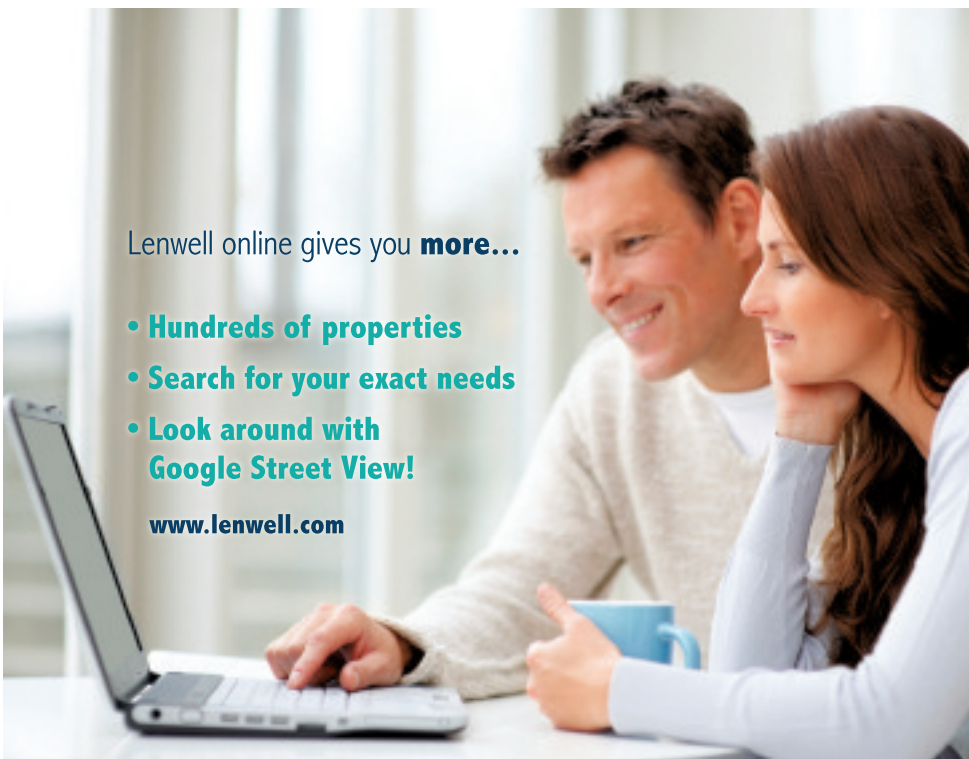
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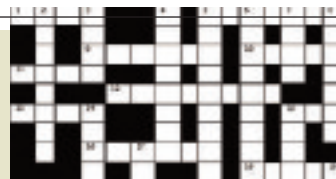
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12TH ANNUAL ST PATRICK'S FESTIVAL

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LUTON Irish Forum will be inviting all of Luton to celebrate Irish culture with them as part of their 12th Annual St Patrick's Festival which runs until Thursday.

The week long celebration has become a stalwart of the Luton Cultural Calendar and brings Irish music, dance and drama to the whole community.

At 9.30am on St Patrick's Day, Thursday, there will be a St Patrick's Day Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, in Castle Street, with its Gaelic choir.

The Mall Luton will also be filled with the sound of Irish music and dance from 11am.

After last year's sell-out comedy drama, the

forum are hosting the Tydavnet Drama Group from County Monaghan who will be performing 'Don't Tell the Wife' tonight at Luton Library Theatre.

This comedy drama is set in Belfast in the 1960s in the Willis household, where Edna Willis becomes convinced that her plumber husband is becoming interested in another woman.

He isn't but he does have some secrets of his own.

Her attempts to stop him lead to hilarious misunderstandings in this classic comedy theatre described as 'Sam Cree's funniest script'.

For tickets or more information on any of the events contact Luton Irish Forum on 01582 720447, email info@lutonirishforum.org or visit www.lutonirishforum.org

Tickets for 'Don't Tell the Wife' are also available from the Library Theatre Box Office on 01582 547474.



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TOP GEAR

BBC2, 8pm

So that was series 16 of Top Gear, the run in which a new Stig was born – and turned out to be rather similar to the last one; John Prescott went head to head with Jeremy Clarkson, and James May drove Nasa's latest Space Exploration Vehicle – rather badly. The special guests also proved to be great fun. Aside from plugging new movie Paul, Simon Pegg and Nick Frost took to the track as Stars in the Reasonably Priced Car, and there was no shortage of great challenges either, such as Clarkson using a Jaguar XJ to race against the rotation of the Earth; the trio's Albanian jaunt, testing the Rolls-Royce Ghost, Bentley Mulsanne and Mercedes-Benz S65 AMG.

6.00 Breakfast. **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** The Big Questions. **11.00** Country Tracks. **12.00** The Politics Show. **1.05** EastEnders. **2.30** Live Six Nations Rugby Union. England v Scotland (Kick-off 3.00pm). **5.00** Songs of Praise. **5.35** BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

6.00 Nigel Slater's Simple Suppers. Recipes for meatballs and a pudding. (R)

6.30 The Boat That Guy Built. Guy Martin tries to get the shower on his narrowboat working. (R)

7.00 Countryfile. Matt Baker learns about the surprising fossil discoveries being made on the Essex coastline, while Julia Bradbury searches for deer in Epping Forest. Including Weather for the Week Ahead.

8.00 Antiques Roadshow. From Victoria Hall in Saltair, West Yorkshire.

9.00 Waking the Dead. New series. Boyd is unsettled when the team gets a new addition.

10.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

10.25 Outcasts. A deadly virus strikes Forthaven. Last in the series.

11.25 Would I Lie to You? Previously unseen material from the comedy panel show.

11.55 Reggie Perrin. David reveals his true colours at the swimming baths.

12.25 Lead Balloon; (R) Weatherview. **1.30** Sign Zone: Faulks on Fiction. (R) **2.30** Holly City. (R) **3.30** Imagine. (R) **4.20** BBC News.

6.00 CBeebies. **7.05** CBBC. **10.00** Something for the Weekend. **11.30** Film 2011 with Claudia Winkelman. (R) **12.00** Film: His Kind of Woman. (1951) Crime drama, starring Robert Mitchum and the late Jane Russell. **1.55** Priceless Antiques Roadshow. (R) **2.25** Coast. (R) **2.35** EastEnders. **3.10** Escape to the Country. (R) **4.10** The Spice Trail. (R) **5.10** Film: Goal II: Living the Dream. (2007) Premiere. Football drama sequel, starring Kuno Becker.

7.00 The Real Italian Job: James Martin's Mille Miglia. The TV chef competes in the classic car race. (R)

8.00 Top Gear. Conclusion. Jeremy Clarkson, James May and Richard Hammond present more of their favourite moments from the 16th series of the motoring magazine.

9.00 Wonders of the Universe. Professor Brian Cox explores the creation and destruction of matter, explaining how the origins of mankind are linked to the life cycle of the universe's stars.

10.00 FILM: V for Vendetta. (2005) A masked anarchist sets out to undermine Britain's totalitarian government and wreak revenge on his old enemies. Futuristic action thriller, with Natalie Portman and Hugo Weaving.

12.00 ICC Cricket World Cup Highlights. **1.00** Film: The Boys of Sunset Ridge. (2001) Drama, starring Ronny Cox. **2.30** BBC News. **4.50** The Super League Show. **5.20** Close.

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **9.25** May the Best House Win. (R) **10.25** House Gift. (R) **11.30** This Morning. Sunday. **12.30** Dinner Date. (R) **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.35** Live FA Cup Football. Stoke City v West Ham United (Kick-off 2.00pm). **4.15** Midsomer Murders. (R)

6.15 Regional Programmes. **6.25** ITV News; Weather. **6.40** Harry Hill's TV Burp. Comic review of the week's small-screen highlights. (R)

7.10 Dancing on Ice. The five remaining contestants must incorporate three props into their routines as they battle for places in next week's semi-final. The Overtones are the house band for the night.

8.30 Wild at Heart. The family's last stand to stop the mining company from destroying Leopard's Den ends in tragedy, and Du Plessis learns rhino poachers are working in the area. Last in the series.

9.30 Dancing on Ice: The Skate Off. Featuring a performance by the Overtones.

10.05 ITV News; Weather. **10.20** FA Cup Highlights. Action from the two remaining sixth-round matches.

11.20 Anglo-Welsh Cup Rugby Union. Action from the semi-finals.

12.20 The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **2.00** Film: Sweet Charity. (1969) Musical, starring Shirley MacLaine. **4.30** ITV News; Weather. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

6.10 The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** FIS Freestyle World Ski Championships. **7.25** That Paralympic Show. (R) **7.50** T4: Friends. (R) **8.15** T4: Friends. (R) **8.45** T4: Hollyoaks. **11.15** T4: Friends. (R) **11.50** T4: Glee. (R) **12.50** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **1.25** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **1.55** Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) **3.30** Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) **4.00** Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) **4.30** Deal or No Deal. **5.30** Time Team.

6.30 Channel 4 News. **6.55** 4thought.tv. A singer discusses the role Scientology has played in his life.

7.00 Come Dine with Me. A jeweller, a cattle farmer, a beauty therapist and a moon-walking Liam Gallagher impersonator compete for the £1,000 prize as the dinner party challenge heads to Walsall.

8.00 Civilization: Is the West History? Niall Ferguson looks at the 1683 siege of Vienna by the Ottomans, and argues that the East's failure to capitalise on the era's scientific developments stunted its growth.

9.00 Country House Rescue. An environmental activist receives Ruth Watson's assistance.

10.00 FILM: Taken. (2008) Thriller, starring Liam Neeson.

11.50 FILM: The Cave. (2005) Horror, starring Morris Chestnut.

1.35 Going Back. **2.30** The Family. (R) **3.25** Without a Trace. (R) **4.10** Reaper. (R) **5.00** Grudge Match. (R) **5.15** Wogan's Perfect Recall. (R) **5.40** Countdown. (R)

6.00 Milkshake! Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fifi and the Flowerpots. (R) **6.25** Fireman Sam. (R) **6.40** Miss Spider's Sunny Patch Friends. (R) **6.50** The Beeps. (R) **7.00** Mio Mao. (R) **7.05** Chiro. (R) **7.15** Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) **7.25** Make Way for Noddy. (R) **7.35** Igan Ogan. (R) **7.50** Animal Families. (R) **8.00** Little Princess. (R) **8.15** Milkshake Monkey. (R) **8.20** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.30** Family! (R) **8.40** Rupert Bear. (R) **8.55** Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) **9.00** Olivia. (R) **9.15** The Mr Men Show. (R) **9.30** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **10.00** Starlight: For the Children. (R) **10.30** Ice Road Truckers. (R) **11.30** Cowboy Builders. (R) **12.30** Film: Spy Kids. (2001) Family adventure, starring Antonio Banderas. **2.10** Film: Mrs Winterbourne. (1996) Comedy, starring Shirley MacLaine. **4.15** 5 News Weekend. **4.20** Film: TMNT. (2007) Premiere. Animated adventure, with the voice of Sarah Michelle Gellar.

6.05 FILM: The Mask. (1994) Comic-book comedy, starring Jim Carrey.

8.00 Royal Navy Caribbean Patrol. (R)

9.00 FILM: Phone Booth. (2002) Psychological thriller, starring Colin Farrell.

10.40 FILM: Double Team. (1997) Action adventure, starring Jean-Claude Van Damme.

12.25 Extreme Fishing with Robson Green. (R) **1.15** SuperCasino. **4.00** Your Sport. (R) **4.05** How Not to Decorate. (R) **4.50** Meals in Moments. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

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4.25 Take Me Out **5.35** Film: The Lost World: Jurassic Park (1997) A scientist is sent to create a nature reserve on an island where genetically engineered dinosaurs roam. Steven Spielberg's adventure sequel, with Jeff Goldblum and Julianne Moore. Including FYI Daily. **8.00** OMG! With Peaches Geldof. The host meets two women who will stop at nothing to gain stardom. **9.00** Benidorm **10.00** Secret Diary of a Call Girl **10.30** Film: The Bourne Supremacy (2004)

ITV4
2.50 Film: Man Without a Star (1955) Western, starring Kirk Douglas. **4.40** Film: Mystery Men (1999) Superhero comedy, starring Ben Stiller. **7.00** The Sweeney. Regan's informer is abducted. **8.00** Anglo-Welsh Cup Rugby Union. **9.00** Film: Jaws 2 (1978) A man-eating shark menaces teenagers adrift at sea in the resort of Amity, while the police chief tries to alert the community. Thriller sequel, with Roy Scheider and Lorraine Gary. Including FYI Daily. **11.25** Freddie Flintoff Versus the World

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7.00 Sport Relief Presents Little Britain's Big Swim **8.00** Junior Doctors: Your Life in Their Hands **9.00** Being Human **10.00** 24 Hour Panel People **10.30** Family Guy **11.15** American Dad!

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7.00 The Story of Science – Power, Proof and Passion **8.00** The Story of Variety with Michael Grade **9.00** Electric Dreams **10.00** Film: Summer Hours (2008) **11.35** Blues Britannia: Can Blue Men Play the Whites?

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3.10 Make It or Break It **4.10** Film: Cheaper By the Dozen 2 (2005) **6.00** Friends **7.30** 90210 **8.25** Friends **10.00** Rude Tube 2011

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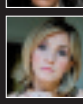
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Celebrate the arrival of the Spring/Summer collections at Grand Arcade's Fashion Fiesta when a feast of fashions will take to the catwalk at the award-winning centre. The Grand Fashion Fiesta, on Friday March 18th, launches The Fab Weekend.

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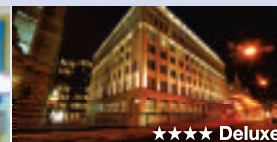
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Robert Bloomfield is an excellent school, our last Ofsted was 'outstanding' in all grades. In 2010 Maths, 95% of pupils achieved Level 4 at KS2, 51% of Year 8 pupils achieving Level 7.

MATHS TEACHER REQUIRED for September 2011

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Closing date: Wednesday 23rd March
Interviews: 24th or 25th March

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ISR L21 - L27

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Closing date: 25 March 2011.

Interview date: w/c 4 April 2011 .

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Deputy Headteacher – Standards

L14 - L18 – Required for September 2011 – ISR 14-18

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Closing date: 28 March 2011.

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Closing date: 25 March 2011.

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Public Notices

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL
EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Central Bedfordshire Council invite applications from suitably qualified and experienced organisations to provide the following Youth Support Services across Central Bedfordshire. The work will need to focus on supporting vulnerable young people as well as developing and implementing strategies to use volunteers.

1. **Youth Support Services – Leighton Buzzard.**
Quote Ref YS1
2. **Youth Support Services – Sandy and Biggleswade.**
Quote Ref YS2
3. **Youth Support Services – Arlesey, Shefford & Stotfold.**
Quote Ref YS3
4. **Youth Support Services – Dunstable & Houghton Regis.** Quote Ref YS4
5. **Youth Support Services – Volunteering.**
Quote Ref YS5
6. **Youth Support Services – Arts, Music, Dance.**
Quote Ref YS6
7. **Youth Support Services – Outdoor Education/Activities.** Quote Ref YS7

Each of the above service areas are separate and will have their own individual tender specification and application process. However, should any organisations want to apply to deliver all of the above specifications as a total package then please quote **Ref YS8**.

The contract/s for each of the above will run to 31st March 2013.

Expressions of interest are therefore sought from interested organisations that meet the following minimum criteria;

- Have a proven track record of delivering high quality, outcome based support services to vulnerable young people.
- Hold the relevant licences to provide the appropriate services.

To express an interest please contact procurement@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk and quote the reference number and specification title of the service area you wish to express an interest in.

A Pre Qualification Questionnaire will need to be completed for which the closing date is 1pm, 24th March 2011.

Public Notices

Luton Borough Council
THE BOROUGH OF LUTON
(NEEDHAM ROAD AND BUTELY ROAD)
(TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES)
ORDER 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on 7th March 2011 Luton Borough Council, the Highway Authority for the said Borough, made the above Order under the relevant provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

The Order will come into operation on 20th March 2011 and it is anticipated that works will be completed over a period of 24 hours. The Order is intended to create a window for the works to be done and it is anticipated that the works will be completed as per the schedule below unless any such works are delayed by unforeseen circumstances. Therefore the Order will be in operation when signs are displayed.

The effect of the Order will allow the Council to close to traffic the roads and lengths of roads in the Schedule below during the dates and times in the Schedule below when signs are displayed.

The purpose of the Order is to enable carriageway repair works to be carried out.

Access will be maintained as best as possible to properties whilst such works are being carried out and diversions for traffic will be marked by signs.

13th March 2011
R J Stevens
Solicitor to the Council
Town Hall
Luton LU1 2BQ

SCHEDULE

ROAD	LENGTH OF ROAD	DATES AND TIMES
Needham Road	The entire length	Sunday 20th March 2011 or Sunday 27th March 2011.
Butely Road	The entire length	Sunday 20th March 2011 or Sunday 27th March 2011.

Luton Borough Council
THE BOROUGH OF LUTON (GEORGE STREET)
(TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE) ORDER 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on 7th March 2011 Luton Borough Council, the Highway Authority for the said Borough, made the above Order under the relevant provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

The Order will come into operation on 23rd March 2011, and it is anticipated that works will be completed by 31st October 2011. The Order is intended to create a window for the works to be done and it is anticipated that the works will be completed over a period within the dates and times described in the Schedule below. Therefore the Order will be in operation when signs are displayed.

The effect of the Order will allow the Council to close to traffic the road and length of road in the schedule below during the dates and times in the Schedule below when signs are displayed.

The purpose of the Order is to enable the installation of new traffic control measures and the repaving of Town Hall Square.

Access will be maintained as best as possible to properties whilst such works are being carried out.

13th March 2011
R J Stevens
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SCHEDULE

ROAD	LENGTH OF ROAD	DATES AND TIMES
George Street	From where it meets with Upper George Street and Manchester Street to an approximate point outside the boundary between BHS and Nationwide	From 23rd March 2011 to 31st October 2011

Luton Borough Council
THE BOROUGH OF LUTON (MANCHESTER STREET)
(TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE AND TEMPORARY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS) ORDER 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on 7th March 2011 Luton Borough Council, the Highway Authority for the said Borough, made the above Order under the relevant provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

The Order will come into operation on 23rd March 2011, and it is anticipated that works will be completed by 31st October 2011. The Order is intended to create a window for the works to be done and it is anticipated that the works will be completed over a period within the dates and times described below in the Schedules to this Order. Therefore the Order will be in operation when signs are displayed.

The effect of the Order will allow the Council to:

1. To temporarily suspend the One-Way Restriction as described in Schedule 1 below, to allow the traffic to flow in both directions when signs are displayed.
2. To close to traffic the road and length of road in the schedule below during the dates and times in the Schedule below when signs are displayed.

The purpose of the Order is to enable the repaving of Town Hall Square.

Access will be maintained as best as possible to properties whilst such works are being carried out and diversions for traffic will be marked by signs.

13th March 2011
R J Stevens
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SCHEDULE 1

Temporarily Suspend the One Way Restriction

ROAD	LENGTH OF ROAD	DIRECTION	DATES AND TIMES
Manchester Street	From its junction with Gordon Street to its junction with Upper George Street	From Gordon Street to Upper George Street	From 23rd March 2011 to 31st October 2011

SCHEDULE 2

Road Closure

ROAD	LENGTH OF ROAD	DATES AND TIMES
Manchester Street	From its junction with Gordon Street to its junction with Upper George Street	From 23rd March to 31st October 2011

Luton Borough Council
THE BOROUGH OF LUTON (CASTLE STREET)
(TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE) ORDER 2011

NOTICE is hereby given that on 7th March 2011 Luton Borough Council, the Highway Authority for the said Borough, made the above Order under the relevant provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended.

The Order will come into operation on 23rd March 2011, and it is anticipated that works will be completed by 31st October 2011. The Order is intended to create a window for the works to be done and it is anticipated that the works will be completed over a period within the dates and times described below in the Schedule to this Order. Therefore the Order will be in operation when signs are displayed.

The effect of the Order will allow the Council to close to traffic the road and length of road in the schedule below during the dates and times in the Schedule below when signs are displayed.

The purpose of the Order is to enable the installation of new traffic control measures.

Access will be maintained as best as possible to properties whilst such works are being carried out and diversions for traffic will be marked by signs.

13th March 2011
R J Stevens
Solicitor to the Council
Town Hall
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SCHEDULE

ROAD	LENGTH OF ROAD	DATES AND TIMES
Castle Street	From outside the Crown Court to its junction with Flowers Way	From 23rd March 2011 to 31st October 2011

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1)

(CHAUL END ROAD, CADDINGTON)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Central Bedfordshire Council has made an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any vehicle, except a vehicle being used for fire, police or ambulance purposes in an emergency, from proceeding along the whole length Chaul End Road, Caddington.

This temporary closure is required to enable surfacing work to take place and shall apply to such extent as may from time to time be indicated by the appropriate traffic signs. Where possible access will be maintained to property and premises but may be restricted from time to time according to local signing.

It is expected that the works will take place over ONE DAY on Saturday 12th March 2011.

Specific dates will be advertised locally closer to the time.

The alternative routes available for vehicles affected by the proposed Order are:-

Proceed on Chaul End Road in a southerly direction to it's junction with Dunstable Rd. Turn right and continue on Dunstable Rd to junction with A5. Turn right and continue on A5 to junction with Church Rd., Dunstable. Turn right and continue on Church Rd then Luton Rd to roundabout with Skimpot Rd. Take 3rd exit and continue on Skimpot Rd to roundabout with Hatters Way. Take 2nd exit and continue on Hatters Way to junction with Chaul End Road and site and vice versa.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 12th March 2011 for a period of four months or until the proposed works have been completed, as detailed above, whichever is the earlier.

For further information please contact Central Bedfordshire Highways, Tel: 0300 300 8049.

(A505 CHURCH STREET, DUNSTABLE)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Central Bedfordshire Council has made an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any vehicle, except a vehicle being used for fire, police or ambulance purposes in an emergency, from proceeding along that length of A505 Church Street, Dunstable which extends from the A5 High Street to Station Road.

This temporary closure is required to enable surfacing works to take place and shall apply to such extent as may from time to time be indicated by the appropriate traffic signs. Where possible access will be maintained to property and premises but may be restricted from time to time according to local signing.

It is expected that the works will take place between Monday 14th and Thursday 31st March 2011 OVERNIGHT between 8:00pm and 6:00am.

Specific dates will be advertised locally closer to the time.

The alternative routes available for vehicles affected by the proposed Order are:-

Proceed on A505 Church St to junction with Boscombe Rd. Turn left and continue on Boscombe Rd to roundabout with Porz Ave. Take 3rd exit and continue on Porz Ave., taking 2nd exit at next roundabout, to roundabout with Park Rd North, Houghton Regis. Take 1st exit and then 1st exit at next roundabout and continue on Park Rd North to roundabout with East End. Take 1st exit and continue on East End then The Green, High St and Houghton Rd to junction with A5 Dunstable. Turn left and continue on A5 to junction with A505 Church St and site and vice versa.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 14th March 2011 for a period of four months or until the proposed works have been completed, as detailed above, whichever is the earlier.

For further information please contact Central Bedfordshire Highways, Tel: 0300 300 8049.

(WEST STREET, DUNSTABLE)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Central Bedfordshire Council intend not less than seven days from the date of this Notice to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any vehicle, except a vehicle being used for fire, police or ambulance purposes in an emergency, from proceeding along that length of West Street, Dunstable which extends from Victoria Street to Burr Street.

This temporary closure is required to enable the removal of a traffic island and illuminated bollards and resurfacing work to take place and shall apply to such extent as may from time to time be indicated by the appropriate traffic signs. Where possible access will be maintained to property and premises but may be restricted from time to time according to local signing.

It is expected that the works will take place overnight during ONE WEEK from 25th to 31st March 2011 between 8pm and 6am. Specific dates will be advertised locally closer to the time.

The alternative routes available for vehicles affected by the proposed Order are:-

Proceed on West St in a westerly direction to mini roundabout with Drovers Way. Take 2nd exit and continue on Drovers Way and then Brewers Hill Rd to junction with the A5. Turn right and continue on the A5 to junction with West St and vice versa.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 25th March 2011 for a period of four months or until the proposed works have been completed, as detailed above, whichever is the earlier.

For further information please contact Central Bedfordshire Highways on tel: 0300 300 8049.

(LEDWELL ROAD, ADSTONE ROAD AND FAIRGREEN ROAD, CADDINGTON)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Central Bedfordshire Council intend not less than seven days from the date of this Notice to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any vehicle, except a vehicle being used for fire, police or ambulance purposes in an emergency, from proceeding along the whole lengths of Ledwell Road, Adstone Road and Fairgreen Road, Caddington.

This temporary closure is required to enable surfacing and patching work to take place and shall apply to such extent as may from time to time be indicated by the appropriate traffic signs. Where possible access will be maintained to property and premises but may be restricted from time to time according to local signing.

It is expected that the works will take place on TWO DAYS on Thursday 24th and Friday 25th March 2011 between 8am and 6pm. Specific dates will be advertised locally closer to the time.

The alternative routes available for vehicles affected by the proposed Order are:-
From junction of Fairgreen Rd and The Crescent turn left and proceed on The Crescent and then Elm Avenue to junction with Ledwell Rd and vice versa..

The proposed Order will come into operation on 24th March 2011 for a period of four months or until the proposed works have been completed, as detailed above, whichever is the earlier.

For further information please contact Central Bedfordshire Highways, Tel. 0300 300 8049.

Dated 9th March 2011

Basil Jackson
Assistant Director for Highways
Central Bedfordshire Council, Technology House, Amptill Road, Bedford MK42 9BD

Public Notices

BOROUGH OF LUTON
PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990
PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) REGULATIONS 1990

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Luton Borough Council is considering an application for planning consent in respect of:-

Installation of new shop front at 209 The Mall, Luton which is in a Conservation Area.
Application No: 11/00281/FUL

The application and submitted details can be inspected using Public Access, the on-line planning service at www.luton.gov.uk (click on e-planning) and enter 11/00281/FUL into the Application Search. This site can be accessed at any library free of charge. Alternatively, you can use the screens at the Town Hall Planning Enquiry desk during normal office hours. If you wish to discuss the proposal, please contact the Case Officer on Luton 546317.

Any representations concerning the proposal should be made to the Development Control Manager within 21 days of the date of this notice quoting the application number above. This can be done in writing or on-line through public access.

Dated 13th March 2011

J.A. Barnell
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Rooney piles more misery on Gunners

MANCHESTER UNITED heaped more misery on Arsenal by turfing the Gunners out of the FA Cup at Old Trafford last night.

Manager Sir Alex Ferguson named a team containing seven defenders, but his gamble was rewarded with goals either side of the interval from Fabio and Wayne Rooney.

Arsenal finished the game with 10 men after Johan Djourou was carried off on a stretcher and the final whistle left Arsene Wenger's men with only the Premier League to play for after being in the hunt for a quadruple less than a fortnight ago. Wenger at least has a week to lift his

FA CUP Round-up

troops before they are in action again, but the mental scars of Arsenal's catastrophic collapse may not heal easily as they seek to overhaul a United side who ended their own trauma in perfect style ahead of their Champions League meeting with Marseille.

Owen Coyle set his sights on taking BOLTON to the final – and maintaining his fine Wembley record – after a late goal from Chung-Yong Lee earned a 3-2 quarter-final win at BIRMINGHAM. Lee came off the bench to head the winner a

minute from time after goals from Johan Elmander and Kevin Davies had been cancelled out by Cameron Jerome and Kevin Phillips.

It will be Bolton's first semi-final appearance in the competition for 11 years. Coyle said: "We are into the semi-finals of the best domestic competition in world football. It is a terrific achievement. [Bolton goalkeeper] Jussi Jaaskelainen said to me, 'I've waited 12 years to get to this gaffer, Wembley in the FA Cup.' It is nice when you have players of that calibre really cherishing those occasions."

Johnno's wary of 'desperate' Scots

THE days when the Calcutta Cup was fuelled by a "genuine hatred" between England and Scotland players may be long gone. But Martin Johnson has warned England must still be prepared to battle for their Grand Slam lives against a "desperate" Scotland side at Twickenham today.

England, unbeaten after three games, are chasing their first RBS 6 Nations clean sweep since Johnson was captain in 2003.

They face a Scotland side coached by the former England boss Andy Robinson who are without a win in the championship and hurting.

Johnson said: "People anticipate a big Calcutta Cup game. There is one constant with Calcutta Cup games, no matter what the score has been. They are always a fight and a battle."

"The intensity of the game is what it is all about. England teams have that history with Scotland and when I was involved it was an edgy game."

"There was genuine hatred between the players, genuine dislike. It is nothing like it was then. That is why they call them the good old days!"

The 1990 Grand Slam clash at Murrayfield was played against the backdrop of the poll tax riots, with Will

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Carling's England seen as the embodiment of Margaret Thatcher's controversial policy.

"In that 1990 game England went for the Grand Slam and got beaten. There was a real edge, but the world has changed a little bit," Johnson added.

"That went away at the end of the decade when they weren't quite so competitive, but it is a classic game."

"When the players get out there they will be into it, there is no doubt about it. We have to earn everything we get."

England have made one change from the victory over France, with Alex Corbisiero replacing the injured Andrew Sheridan at loose-head prop.

Toby Flood has recovered from an Achilles problem to continue at fly-half, while Tom Croft returns on the bench.

Meanwhile, Italy claimed their first RBS 6 Nations victory over France with a 22-21 triumph in Rome.

And at the Millennium Stadium, Wales kept alive their title hopes with a 19-13 win over Ireland. Scrum-half Mike Phillips celebrated his 50th cap by scoring an opportunist try to underpin Wales' win.



TALL ORDER: Martin Johnson puts his England players through their paces

Anderson feels the heat

ENGLAND are running out of time to do themselves justice at the cricket World Cup – and no one more so than their pace-bowling lynchpin James Anderson.

The Ashes enforcer has, mostly, been a shadow of the performer who adapted so wonderfully to conditions as England beat Australia Down Under.

England limped to a shock two-wicket defeat against Bangladesh in dewy Chittagong on Friday



ANDERSON: 'Needs to kick on'

night, leaving themselves with one last must-win Group B match against West Indies on Thursday.

Anderson again struggled for consistency, yet England remain confident his blip will be short-lived.

Ajmal Shahzad, who took three for 43 in vain against Bangladesh, said: "We don't see it as a major thing. Jimmy has played seven or eight years of international cricket, and we know what he can do."

"All he has to do is kick for one game and kick on from there. Everybody is behind him."

Myler puts suffering Saints back on track

AN 18-point haul from fly-half Stephen Myler reignited Northampton Saints' play-off challenge as they eased to a comfortable 23-13 victory over Leeds Carnegie at Headingley.

The result helped the Saints move back into the play-off places and reaffirms their title ambitions after a recent wobble.

Leeds responded with a try by back-row Danny Paul and eight points from the boot of stand-off Adrian Jarvis, but it now leaves the Yorkshire side rooted to the foot of the Premiership table having played a game more than nearest rivals Newcastle.

RESULTS AND TABLES

FA CUP 6TH ROUND

Birmingham	2	Bolton	3
Man Utd.	2	Arsenal	0

BARCLAYS PREMIER

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Man Utd.	29	17	9	3	63	30	60
Arsenal	28	17	6	5	57	27	57
Man City	29	15	8	6	45	25	53
Chelsea	28	15	6	7	51	24	51
Tottenham	28	13	9	6	41	34	48
Liverpool	29	12	6	11	39	36	42
Bolton	29	10	10	9	42	40	40
Sunderland	29	9	11	9	33	35	38
Everton	29	8	13	8	38	37	37
Newcastle	29	9	9	11	44	41	36
Fulham	29	7	14	8	32	31	35
Stoke	29	10	4	15	32	38	34
Aston Villa	29	8	9	12	37	50	33
Blackburn	29	5	15	17	49	32	32
Blackpool	29	5	15	13	58	32	32
West Brom	29	8	8	13	39	54	32
Birmingham	28	6	13	9	27	39	31
West Ham	29	7	10	12	36	49	31
Wolverhampton	29	8	5	16	34	49	29
Wigan	29	5	12	12	27	50	27

NPOWER CHAMPIONSHIP

Burnley	0	Millwall	3
Att 14,589		Robinson 52, 71	
		Townsend 87	
Coventry	0	Hull	1
Att 14,370		Mclean 33	
Derby	2	Swansea	1
Williams 7 (og)		Pratley 65	
Davies 54		Att 25,341	
Leeds	0	Ipswich	0
Att 27,432			
Nottm Forest	0	Doncaster	0
Att 25,442			
Portsmouth	0	Middlesbrough	0
Att 16,447			
QPR	2	Crystal Palace	1
Helguson 20, 54 (pen)		Vaughan 40	
Att 18,116			
Scunthorpe	0	Leicester	3
Att 6,528		Miguel Vitor 31, 72	
		Naughton 76	
Watford	3	Sheff Utd.	0
Graham 10, Taylor 57		Att 12,441	
Jenkins 86			

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
QPR	37	20	13	4	59	23	73
Swansea	37	19	6	12	50	34	63
Norwich	36	17	12	7	58	45	63
Cardiff	36	18	7	11	55	41	61
Leeds	37	16	13	8	69	58	61
Nottm Forest	37	15	15	7	46	32	60
Burnley	35	11	9	15	42	56	56
Hull	37	14	13	10	41	37	55
Leicester	37	16	7	14	55	55	55
Reading	36	13	15	8	59	42	54
Watford	36	14	11	11	64	52	54
Millwall	37	14	11	12	48	37	53
Portsmouth	37	14	9	14	49	48	51
Bristol City	36	13	8	15	47	51	47
Ipswich	36	13	7	16	46	46	46
Barnsley	36	12	14	14	42	52	46
Doncaster	37	11	11	15	49	66	44
Derby	37	12	7	18	46	51	43
Coventry	36	11	8	17	38	46	41
Middlesbrough	36	11	8	17	44	53	41
Crystal Palace	37	10	8	19	35	57	38
Scunthorpe	36	10	8	18	33	63	34
Sheff Utd.	37	8	8	21	32	59	32
Preston	35	5	10	20	37	64	25

NPOWER LEAGUE ONE

Bournemouth	1	Southampton	3
Dalla Valle 6		Barnard 11, Hammond 71	
Att 10,008		Lambert 88	
Brighton	2	Tranmere	0
Wood 63 (pen)		Att 7,461	
Murray 71			
Bristol Rovers	0	Huddersfield	1
Att 7,380		Rhodes 5	
Charlton	0	Brentford	1
Att 14,585		Legge 59	
Colchester	1	M K Dons	3
Gillespie 29		Baldock 48, 62, 86	
Att 4,103			
Hartlepool	2	Plymouth	0
Sweeney 20		Att 3,059	
Collins 64			
Leyton Orient	1	Oldham	0
MPoku 87		Att 4,349	
Peterborough	6	Carlisle	0
Rowe 2, Mackail-Smith 24		Att 6,467	
Boyd 45, B3, Bennett 77			
Ball 90			
Rochdale	0	Exeter	1
Att 2,726		Cureton 30	
Sheff Wed	0	Notts County	1
Att 17,835		Gow 27 (pen)	
Swindon	1	Day & Red	1
Grella 44		Nurse 83	
Att 7,864			
Yeovil	1	Walsall	1
A Williams 45		Macken 18	
Att 3,737			

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Brighton	34	21	8	5	64	26	71
Huddersfield	36	18	9	9	57	39	63
Peterborough	35	19	5	11	82	60	62
Southampton	34	18	7	9	62	30	61
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Leyton Orient	33	14	11	8	56	42	53
Hartlepool	36	14	8	14	38	48	50
Exeter	36	13	10	13	51	58	49
Carlisle	35	13	9	13	48	46	48
Notts County	32	12	6	14	37	42	48
Colchester	36	12	12	12	42	48	48
Oldham	36	11	13	12	46	52	46
Brentford	35	13	7	15	45	46	46
Rochdale	33	11	12	10	44	41	45
Sheff Wed	34	12	7	15	50	49	43
Notts County	32	12	6	14	37	42	42
Tranmere	35	10	9	16	40	49	39
Yeovil	35	10	8	17	33	51	38
Day & Red	33	9	9	15	37	47	36
Walsall	37	9	9	19	41	60	36
Swindon	36	7	12	17	43	60	33
Bristol Rovers	36	8	9	19	38	70	33
Plymouth	36	12	6	18	43	60	32

NPOWER LEAGUE TWO

Cheltenham	1	Aldershot	2
Pook 83		Charles 10	
		Vincenti 55	
Att 2,697			
Crews	2	Chesterfield	0
Donaldson 36		Att 4,503	
Shelley 87			
Gillingham	3	Accrington S.	1
Barcham 2, 45		McConville 14	
McDonald 56			
Att 5,299			
Hereford	1	Barnet	2
Rose 1		McLeod 44, 78	
Att 2,517			
Lincoln City	2	Southend	1
Grimes 38, 78		Sturrock 60	
Att 3,560			
Morecambe	0	Bradford	1
		Hanson 33	
Att 3,521			
Northampton	0	Macclesfield	1
		Daniel 54	
Att 4,707			
Port Vale	1	Oxford Utd.	2
M Richards 27		Midson 35	
		Worley 58	
Att 5,661			
Rotherham	0	Bury	0
Att 4,620			
Stockport	0	Burton Albion	0
Att 4,278			
Torquay	5	Shrewsbury	0
Tomlin 5			
Robinson 54 (pen), 56			
Zebroski 70			
Sharps 85 (og)			
Att 2,861			
Wycombe	0	Stevenage	1
		Mousinho 47	
Att 4,453			

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Chesterfield	37	20	11	6	69	41	71
Bury	35	17	10	8	61	35	61
Wycombe	36	17	9	10	51	43	60
Rotherham	36	15	11	10	60	44	56
Shrewsbury	36	15	11	10	54	42	56
Gillingham	37	14	9	13	53	43	56
Port Vale	35	15	10	10	42	35	55
Torquay	35	13	12	10	56	40	51
Oxford Utd.	36	14	8	14	46	50	50
Crews	35	13	9	13	66	54	48
Stevenage	35	12	12	11	42	32	48
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Y Klukowski 63		Baker 48	
Att 757		Curtis 83	
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Warren 70			
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Southport	1	Cambridge Utd	1
Kissack 85		Berry 90	
Att 1107			
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Perry 34, 90		Pritchard 14	
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MANCHESTER UNITED heaped more misery on Arsenal by turfing the Gunners out of the FA Cup at Old Trafford last night.

Manager Sir Alex Ferguson named a team containing seven defenders, but his gamble was rewarded with goals either side of the interval from Fabio and Wayne Rooney.

Arsenal finished the game with 10 men after Johan Djourou was carried off on a stretcher and the final whistle left Arsene Wenger's men with only the Premier League to play for after being in the hunt for a quadruple less than a fortnight ago. Wenger at least has a week to lift his

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troops before they are in action again, but the mental scars of Arsenal's catastrophic collapse may not heal easily as they seek to overhaul a United side who ended their own trauma in perfect style ahead of their Champions League meeting with Marseille.

Owen Coyle set his sights on taking BOLTON to the final – and maintaining his fine Wembley record – after a late goal from Chung-Yong Lee earned a 3-2 quarter-final win at BIRMINGHAM. Lee came off the bench to head the winner a

minute from time after goals from Johan Elmander and Kevin Davies had been cancelled out by Cameron Jerome and Kevin Phillips.

It will be Bolton's first semi-final appearance in the competition for 11 years. Coyle said: "We are into the semi-finals of the best domestic competition in world football. It is a terrific achievement. [Bolton goalkeeper] Jussi Jaaskelainen said to me, 'I've waited 12 years to get to this gaffer, Wembley in the FA Cup.' It is nice when you have players of that calibre really cherishing those occasions."

Johnno's wary of 'desperate' Scots

THE days when the Calcutta Cup was fuelled by a "genuine hatred" between England and Scotland players may be long gone. But Martin Johnson has warned England must still be prepared to battle for their Grand Slam lives against a "desperate" Scotland side at Twickenham today.

England, unbeaten after three games, are chasing their first RBS 6 Nations clean sweep since Johnson was captain in 2003.

They face a Scotland side coached by the former England boss Andy Robinson who are without a win in the championship and hurting.

Johnson said: "People anticipate a big Calcutta Cup game. There is one constant with Calcutta Cup games, no matter what the score has been. They are always a fight and a battle. "The intensity of the game is what it is all about. England teams have that history with Scotland and when I was involved it was an edgy game.

"There was genuine hatred between the players, genuine dislike. It is nothing like it was then. That is why they call them the good old days!"

The 1990 Grand Slam clash at Murrayfield was played against the backdrop of the poll tax riots, with Will

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Carling's England seen as the embodiment of Margaret Thatcher's controversial policy.

"In that 1990 game England went for the Grand Slam and got beaten. There was a real edge, but the world has changed a little bit," Johnson added.

"That went away at the end of the decade when they weren't quite so competitive, but it is a classic game.

"When the players get out there they will be into it, there is no doubt about it. We have to earn everything we get."

England have made one change from the victory over France, with Alex Corbisiero replacing the injured Andrew Sheridan at loose-head prop.

Toby Flood has recovered from an Achilles problem to continue at fly-half, while Tom Croft returns on the bench.

Meanwhile, Italy claimed their first RBS 6 Nations victory over France with a 22-21 triumph in Rome.

And at the Millennium Stadium, Wales kept alive their title hopes with a 19-13 win over Ireland. Scrum-half Mike Phillips celebrated his 50th cap by scoring an opportunist try to underpin Wales' win.



TALL ORDER: Martin Johnson puts his England players through their paces

Anderson feels the heat

ENGLAND are running out of time to do themselves justice at the cricket World Cup – and no one more so than their pace-bowling lynchpin James Anderson.

The Ashes enforcer has, mostly, been a shadow of the performer who adapted so wonderfully to conditions as England beat Australia Down Under.

England limped to a shock two-wicket defeat against Bangladesh in dewy Chittagong on Friday



ANDERSON: 'Needs to kick on'

night, leaving themselves with one last must-win Group B match against West Indies on Thursday.

Anderson again struggled for consistency, yet England remain confident his blip will be short-lived.

Ajmal Shahzad, who took three for 43 in vain against Bangladesh, said: "We don't see it as a major thing. Jimmy has played seven or eight years of international cricket, and we know what he can do.

"All he has to do is click for one game and kick on from there. Everybody is behind him."

Myler puts suffering Saints back on track

AN 18-point haul from fly-half Stephen Myler reignited Northampton Saints' play-off challenge as they eased to a comfortable 23-13 victory over Leeds Carnegie at Headingley.

The result helped the Saints move back into the play-off places and reaffirms their title ambitions after a recent wobble.

Leeds responded with a try by back-row Danny Paul and eight points from the boot of stand-off Adrian Jarvis, but it now leaves the Yorkshire side rooted to the foot of the Premiership table having played a game more than nearest rivals Newcastle.

RESULTS AND TABLES

FA CUP 6TH ROUND

Birmingham	2	Bolton	3
Man Utd.	2	Arsenal	0

BARCLAYS PREMIER

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Man Utd.	29	17	9	3	63	30	60
Arsenal	28	17	6	5	57	27	57
Man City	29	15	8	6	45	25	53
Chelsea	28	15	6	7	51	24	51
Tottenham	28	13	9	6	41	34	48
Liverpool	29	12	6	11	39	36	42
Bolton	29	10	10	9	42	40	40
Sunderland	29	9	11	9	33	35	38
Everton	29	8	13	8	38	37	37
Newcastle	29	9	9	11	44	41	36
Fulham	29	7	14	8	32	31	35
Stoke	29	10	4	15	32	38	34
Aston Villa	29	8	9	12	37	50	33
Blackburn	29	5	15	17	49	32	32
Blackpool	29	5	15	13	45	58	32
West Brom.	29	8	8	13	39	54	32
Birmingham	28	6	13	9	27	39	31
West Ham	29	7	10	12	36	49	31
Wolverhampton	29	8	5	16	34	49	29
Wigan	29	5	12	12	27	50	27

NPOWER CHAMPIONSHIP

Burnley	0	Millwall	3
Att 14,589	Robinson 52, 71	Townsend 87	
Coventry	0	Hull	1
Att 14,370	Mclean 33		
Derby	2	Swansea	1
Williams 7 (og)	Pratley 65		
Davies 54	Att 25,341		
Leeds	0	Ipswich	0
Att 27,432			
Nottm Forest	0	Doncaster	0
Att 25,442			
Portsmouth	0	Middlesbrough	0
Att 16,447			
QPR	2	Crystal Palace	1
Helguson 20, 54 (pen)	Vaughan 40		
Att 18,116			
Scunthorpe	0	Leicester	3
Att 6,528	Miguel Vitor 31, 72	Naughton 76	
Watford	3	Sheff Utd.	0
Graham 10, Taylor 57	Att 12,441	Jenkins 86	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
QPR	37	20	13	4	59	23	63
Swansea	37	19	6	12	50	34	63
Norwich	36	17	12	7	58	45	63
Cardiff	36	18	7	11	55	41	61
Leeds	37	16	13	8	69	58	61
Nottm Forest	37	15	15	7	46	32	60
Burnley	35	11	9	15	42	56	56
Hull	37	14	13	10	41	37	55
Leicester	37	16	7	14	55	55	55
Reading	36	13	15	8	59	42	54
Watford	36	14	11	11	64	52	53
Millwall	37	14	11	12	48	37	53
Portsmouth	37	14	9	14	49	48	51
Bristol City	36	13	8	15	47	51	47
Ipswich	36	13	7	16	46	46	46
Barnsley	36	10	14	14	42	52	46
Doncaster	37	11	11	15	49	66	44
Derby	37	12	7	18	46	51	43
Coventry	36	11	8	17	38	46	41
Middlesbrough	36	11	8	17	44	53	41
Crystal Palace	37	10	8	19	35	57	38
Scunthorpe	36	9	14	22	33	63	34
Sheff Utd.	37	8	8	21	32	59	32
Preston	35	5	10	20	37	64	25

NPOWER LEAGUE ONE

Bournemouth	1	Southampton	3
Dalla Valle 6	Barnard 11, Hammond 71	Att 10,008	
Brighton	2	Tranmere	0
Wood 63 (pen)	Att 7,461	Murray 71	
Bristol Rovers	0	Huddersfield	1
Att 7,380	Rhodes 5		
Charlton	0	Brentford	1
Att 14,589	Legge 69		
Colchester	1	M K Dons	3
Gillespie 29	Baldock 48, 62, 86	Att 4,103	
Hartlepool	2	Plymouth	0
Sweeney 20	Att 3,059	Collins 64	
Leyton Orient	1	Oldham	0
MPoku 87	Att 4,349		
Peterborough	6	Carlisle	0
Rowe 2, Mackail-Smith 24	Att 6,467	Boyd 45, B3, Bennett 77	
Ball 90			
Rochdale	0	Exeter	1
Att 2,726	Cureton 30		
Sheff Wed	0	Notts County	1
Att 17,835	Gow 27 (pen)		
Swindon	1	Day & Red	1
Grella 44	Nurse 83	Att 7,864	
Yeovil	1	Walsall	1
A Williams 45	Macken 18	Att 3,737	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Brighton	34	21	8	5	64	26	71
Huddersfield	36	18	9	9	57	39	63
Peterborough	35	19	5	11	82	60	62
Southampton	34	18	7	9	62	30	61
Bournemouth	36	17	10	9	60	38	61
M K Dons	37	18	7	12	54	48	61
Leyton Orient	33	14	11	8	56	42	53
Hartlepool	36	14	8	14	38	48	50
Exeter	36	13	10	13	51	58	49
Carlisle	35	13	9	13	48	46	48
Shrewsbury	32	12	6	14	37	42	42
Colchester	36	12	12	12	42	48	48
Oldham	36	11	13	12	46	52	46
Brentford	35	13	7	15	39	45	46
Rochdale	33	11	12	10	44	41	45
Sheff Wed	34	12	7	15	50	49	43
Notts County	32	12	6	14	37	42	42
Tranmere	35	10	9	16	40	49	39
Yeovil	35	10	8	17	33	51	38
Day & Red	33	9	9	15	37	47	36
Walsall	37	9	9	19	41	60	36
Swindon	36	7	12	17	43	60	33
Bristol Rovers	36	8	9	19	38	70	33
Plymouth	36	12	6	18	43	60	32

NPOWER LEAGUE TWO

Cheltenham	1	Aldershot	2
Pook 83	Charles 10	Vincenti 55	
Att 2,697			
Crews	2	Chesterfield	0
Donaldson 36	Att 4,503		
Shelley 87			
Gillingham	3	Accrington S.	1
Barcham 2, 45	McConville 14		
McDonald 56	Att 5,299		
Hereford	1	Barnet	2
Rose 1	McLeod 44, 78		
Att 2,517			
Lincoln City	2	Southend	1
Grimes 38, 78	Sturrock 60		
Att 3,560			
Morecambe	0	Bradford	1
	Hanson 33		
Att 3,521			
Northampton	0	Macclesfield	1
	Daniel 54		
Att 4,707			
Port Vale	1	Oxford Utd.	2
M Richards 27	Midson 35	Worley 58	
Att 5,661			
Rotherham	0	Bury	0
Att 4,620			
Stockport	0	Burton Albion	0
Att 4,278			
Torquay	5	Shrewsbury	0
Tomlin 5			
Robinson 54 (pen), 56			
Zebroski 70			
Sharps 85 (og)			
Att 2,861			
Wycombe	0	Stevenage	1
	Mousinho 47		
Att 4,453			

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Chesterfield	37	20	11	6	69	41	71
Bury	35	17	10	8	61	35	61
Wycombe	36	17	9	10	51	43	60
Rotherham	36	15	11	10	60	44	56
Shrewsbury	36	15	11	10	54	42	56
Gillingham	37	14	9	13	43	53	56
Port Vale	35	15	10	10	42	35	55
Torquay	35	13	12	10	56	40	51
Oxford Utd.	36	14	8	14	46	50	48
Crews	35	13	9	13	66	54	48
Stevenage	35	12	12	11	42	32	48
Southend	35	13	9	13	48	45	48
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Burton Albion	31	9	9	18	38	44	36
Barnet	36	8	10	18	41	61	34
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BLUE SQUARE BET PREMIER

AFC Wimbledon	1	Kidderminster	2
Minshull 82	Canham 42		
Att 3,517	Matt 74		
Fleetwood Town	1	Crawley Town	2
Donnelly 63	Tubbs 32 (pen)		
Att 2,027	Brodie 49		
Forest Green	2	Barrow	3
Caines 34	M Pearson 2	Baker 48	
Y Klukowski 63	Curtis 83		
Att 757			
Histon	0	Darlington	0
Postponed - due to FA Trophy.			
Kettering	1	Grimsby	2
Marna 19	Connell 80		
Att 1,403	Sinclair 82		
Mansfield	0	Bath City	0
Postponed - due to FA Trophy.			
Newport County	2	Altrincham	1
Piergiani 6 (og)	Reeves 1		

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ON THE UP: Graham Earl outside his new gym and the former fighter poses inside (inset) with his stable of Belfast bangers

World champ Willie pens deal with Earl to help in fight to top

GRAHAM Earl has made the biggest signing of his promotions career to date by joining forces with WBU world lightweight champion Willie Limmond.

Things are certainly on the up for the man that used to hold the title but who has now turned his formidable hands to rising up through the ranks of the business side of the sport, after opening his new gym on Hitchin Road and announcing his first ever show outside of England.

Fists of Fury on April 2 will be the second fight night this year for Graham Earl Promotions and after making his bow as a promoter at York Hall in London - the home of English boxing - he's ready to do the same at the home of the Northern Irish game, the King's Hall, Belfast.

Glaswegian Limmond will top the bill in his return to the ring after losing a fight for the vacant WBC Silver light welterweight title by knock-out to legendary Mexican Erik 'El Terrible' Morales in September - his only fight last year.

Earl said: "I'm friends with Willie from my fighting days. We've worked together, we've trained together and we had a little chat and he was interested in what we're doing."

"He knows that he is going to get looked after and get brought on the right way which is the main thing."

"At the moment he's in Mexico

sparring with Morales and you can't beat that but I will definitely have him in Luton as much as I can.

"He won't be here for the build up to next month's show but he'll be fighting again on our next show after that on May 7 back at York Hall so hopefully we'll get him in the new gym then."

On the Fists of Fury show, Earl said: "I'm really excited and I want to make a big bang and a lot of noise there. I think it's going to be a good show."

"Willie will get top billing because he's borderline for a world title shot."

"To get that would be nice, especially for Graham Earl Promotions."

"We are still working on Willie's opponent. It's got to be the right fight because we want him to go again next month."

"Saying that, it will be a good match-up. I'm not a believer of having the odds 70/30 in favour of the home fighter."

"His problem is a lack of fights. He's had one fight a year or two if he's lucky and he often gets a call, when he hasn't fought, to go in against an up and coming prospect for Frank Warren."

"Fighters need to keep busy and two a year is not enough, so we are looking to improve on that."

On the undercard will be a host of Belfast fighters signed up by Earl and many will be making their professional debuts on home soil.

They have all been in Luton this week for a training camp with the former world champion who admits that he's being kept busier than ever now he's made the switch from inside to outside the ropes.

"The new gym is really taking off and we haven't even advertised yet," he said. "I'm only getting about four or five hours sleep at night."

"But it's really exciting because things are going well. Nothing in life is free, you've got to work hard for it."

"It's just nice to be giving our lads an outlook on what it was like when I was in training camps and getting ready for title fights."

"The new gym is like a palace compared to the old place and we can do things now that we couldn't before, especially now with the new lads we've signed from Belfast. In terms of training camps, it's the real thing."

"I've got them over here and they have got to make the change from amateur to professional and we're working on that."

"We are signing good fighters all the time and we're at the stage where we're only going to sign proven fighters and the ones we have signed have all got good CVs as amateurs."

"There's a great stable over there in Belfast so the obvious thing to do was to put a show on in their home town."

Newton ready to return from long injury hell

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ADAM Newton is in line to make a shock return to action in today's FA Trophy semi-final first leg at Mansfield six months after damaging his Achilles tendon.

The versatile player has only made seven appearances for Luton Town this season, his last coincidentally being against the Stags in Town's 2-0 Conference win over them at Kenilworth Road.

Manager Richard Money admitted on Friday that there had been points where it was thought that the former Brentford midfielder wouldn't make it back this term.

But after describing the 30-year-old's return to training this week as like, 'having a newborn baby' at the club, Newton admitted that he's enjoying his return to the fray after suffering some bleak times while out of commission.

He said: "Touch wood, things have gone well for the last week, so long may that continue."

"I had some dark moments, I'm not going to deny that, where I thought I was coming back but kept having some more set backs."

"On the few good days I had to just rein myself in and not get too carried away. I carried on with the programme I'd been given and had to see a specialist a couple of times to make sure and get the all clear. Then, once I felt right within myself I pushed on."

"It's not the same as being out on the training pitch. It's still the same when we finish as we eat and socialise together, but it's nice to get that feeling back where you're flying into tackles and doing little tricks to take the mick out of your opponent."

"It's been a long time but I've worked

well with the physio and the staff and I've been really grateful for their help and just pleased to be out there."

"It's one of those things when you've been out for so long because you want to be part of it while the team is doing well."

"I've missed the banter but have tried to keep the lads on their toes, to help gee them up when I could."

Newton will be in the match day squad to the trip to Field Mill for today's midday kick-off and feels he could do a job if called upon.

"Just being around the team is the best feeling, but whether or not the manager takes that decision [to play me] is up to him," he said. "I'd like to feel that I wouldn't let the team down."

The gaffer has been very kind to me, bringing me back in straight away for an important game."

"It's nice to be part of it and anyway that I can help the lads out I'll be there."

Newton was at Kenilworth Road but didn't feature the last time Luton got to Wembley in 2009, winning the Johnstone's Paint Trophy, and with a two-legged affair between them and another final he admitted that the excitement in the camp has started to grow.

He said: "We all know how important the game is with a chance to play at Wembley and the chance to play in front of so many Luton Town fans again."

"At the back of our minds, promotion is the key, but this could be another sweetener to finish of the season."

"Psychologically we know we are the away team and so have the security whereby we think we will be stronger at home for the second leg."

"With the talent we have in our squad we are more than capable of getting the right result and the right performance in the first leg and I'm pretty sure that's what we are going to do."

George has got that final feeling

■ **Continued from the back**

a great opportunity for the fans as well. They've stuck by us through thick and thin. They come all over the country to some bad places and given us some good support, so it will be good to reward them with a trip to Wembley this year."

But the 29-year-old, who is a steady influence on the pitch, has also urged his team-mates not to get too carried away and to keep focused on the job in hand. "We've got a good squad and you don't need any incentive to go to Wembley and play in a cup final, so it's a very important game."

"It won't all be done and dusted today but we want to be in a strong position come the afternoon. It's a massive opportunity for both clubs to get to the final but over two legs we don't want to give too much away. It's important we keep doing what we have been over previous weeks and try to win there."

Luton are the favourites to win the FA Trophy with Gateshead and Darlington playing each other in the other semi-final, but Pilkington knows that's a tag that doesn't always work in your favour. "You can say we've got one of the

strongest sides in our division on paper but when you look at the play-offs last year and we played York over two games and it doesn't always work that way."

"Cup games bring all sorts of surprises and with what is at stake we know Mansfield are going to be a very tough opposition."

"For me personally, we need to go about it like it's any other game. Obviously, we'll get ourselves up for it and try to win."

"Field Mill is a tough place to go. We went there last year and drew a very tight game and I can't see it being any different today. It's going to be a bit nervy at some points in the tie so maybe it will come down to small margins."

Meanwhile, the captain's namesake, Kevin Pilkington, is likely to start in goal for Luton and face off against the side at which he spent time on loan this term.

"I always knew this could potentially happen, especially after I saw the quarter-final draw, where the Blue Square sides were all drawn apart," he said. "I had hoped this game might be the final at Wembley but it doesn't always work out that way."

Also, Adam Murray, who left Luton for Mansfield this season, is cup tied.

James happy with underdog tag

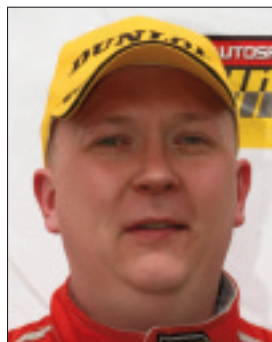
CHRIS James cannot wait for the chance to make his bow on the Dunlop MSA British Touring Car Championship after he and the Team ES Racing squad start piecing together the final pieces of the jigsaw ahead of the season's opening round on April 3.

The Luton driver remains realistic in his hopes for the coming campaign, saying: "We view it as a massive achievement in itself, just getting to the grid."

"Our goal is to score points in the first season and accept that we won't be challenging the likes

of Jason Plato and Matt Neal, although this doesn't mean that we don't want to. We are looking to embrace the public and gain as many supporters as possible. The English love an underdog and that is what we will be."

Team ES Racing are set to test at Donington Park this week to shakedown the #78 Chevrolet Lacetti car ahead of the first official test session later this month. The team will then test at Brands Hatch ahead of the first round which also takes place at the Kent circuit.



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FIGHTING FIT: Adam Newton pictured in one of his seven appearances for Luton Town this season against Grimsby, before he started a long lay-off through injury.

RUGBY ROUND-UP

NATIONAL THREE MIDLANDS

PETERBOROUGH 32
LUTON 38

A CONVERTED injury time try gave Luton victory in a match where they had trailed 26-14 at half time.

Despite the windy conditions and a number of enforced changes due to injuries, Luton played with great spirit throughout.

They took the lead on nine minutes with a breakaway try and conversion by Joe Murphy.

The hosts quickly levelled but Ben Murphy restored the seven-point lead with a try converted by his brother Joe.

The hosts scored a further three first half tries, two of which were converted for a comfortable lead at the break. A Matt Allen try made the score 26-19 to the hosts, but again Peterborough pulled away with two penalties to take a 32-19 lead. However, Luton's superior fitness became evident as they dominated

the last 15 minutes of play. Mark Kohler's converted effort on 65 minutes made it 32-26 before Mike Weston scored with just two minutes remaining to bring them within a point of the hosts at 32-31. In injury time, following good forward pressure, Kohler scored another converted try for a 38-32 final scoreline and a dramatic ending to this match.

MIDLANDS TWO EAST (SOUTH)

STOCKWOOD PARK 10
BUGBROOKE 12

A LAST minute mistake from Stockwood cost them this game.

The first half was quiet until the visitors went ahead on 39 minutes to take a 7-0 half-time lead.

Stockwood then started to apply pressure and James Hanky crashed over to make it 7-5.

Duncan Bright touched down four minutes from time to clinch what he thought was the winning try but Stockwood failed to win their line out and Bugbrooke crashed over to steal victory.

Brinkman's early strike enough for win against ten-man SYCOB

ZAMARETTO DIVISION ONE CENTRAL
BEAconsfield SYCOB 0
BARTON ROVERS 1

GEORGE Brinkman's first minute goal eventually proved decisive against bottom-of-the-table Beaconsfield.

The goal came following good work from Russell Bull who pulled the ball back for Brinkman to hook home from near the penalty spot.

Barton were comfortable throughout

and the hosts' chances of levelling were hampered by a sending off early in the second half.

Luke Knight had a good chance saved by the keeper with 15 minutes remaining but neither goal was troubled after that.

Barton will be pleased to pick up an away win to keep them clear of the bottom six and they are next in action away to Bedworth United on Tuesday evening, kick-off at 7.45pm.

FOOTBALL ROUND-UP

SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE PREMIER

DUNSTABLE TOWN 2
KINGBURY LONDON TIGERS 1

A LATE Nathan Frater goal snatched all three points from ten-man Kingsbury.

Dunstable scored early on through Johnathan Cooper's free kick.

Two minutes later the visitors levelled things up after goalkeeper Paul Taylor was lobbed.

Just after the restart Kingsbury were reduced to ten men after a player was sent off for abusing the linesman.

This seemed to inspire the Tigers though as they began to apply pressure and dominate.

On 86 minutes a long ball forward had an unkind bounce, wrong-footing the keeper for the chasing Nathan Frater to simply chest in.

Town play Colney Heath away on Thursday in the Challenge Trophy Semi-Final.

SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

CRAWLEY returned to winning ways after losing midweek with a 1-0 win over Wodson Park.

On 19 minutes Robbie O'Dell slotted home in what was a very scrappy game.

In the last minute goalkeeper Joe Cox made a point blank save to preserve the points.

AFC DUNSTABLE won 2-1 against London Colney with Ryan Quinn and Jermaine Hall scoring one each.

Dunstable play Totternhoe in the Beds Senior Trophy Final in mid-week at Leighton Town FC, and have been put through to the Challenge Trophy Final in May against St Albans after there was a meeting on Thursday to decide the outcome of the semi-final against Berkhamsted which was abandoned after 90 minutes despite AFC winning 3-0.

SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

TEN-MAN KENT ATHLETIC won 1-0 at home to Mursley United. Rhys Calvano opened the scoring on five minutes but was then sent off on ten minutes. Resolute defending ensured that the solitary goal proved decisive.

BRACHE SPARTA COMMUNITY went down to a 7-2 defeat at home to Tring Corinthians. Farouk Ali and Godwin Homawo were the Brache goalscorers, as the opposition's superior fitness told.

THE 61FC were held to a 1-1 draw at home to **CADDINGTON**. Jack Magill scored for 61FC with a good finish on 39 minutes, however Wayne O'Connor equalised on 68 minutes.

TOTTENHOE defeated Aston Clinton 2-1 at home courtesy of a last minute 25 yard effort from Ross Scott.

The hosts had taken a first half lead with a fine solo goal from Stefan Tracey on 35 minutes before the visitors pulled level on 55 minutes.

YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS

ZAMARETTO DIVISION ONE CENTRAL

AFC Hayes	0	4	Leighton Town
Beaconsfield SYCOB	0	1	Barton Rovers
Bedfont Town	3	2	Bedworth United
Burnham	1	2	Arlesey Town
Daventry Town	4	1	Uxbridge
Hitchin Town	1	2	Biggleswade Town
North Greenford United	1	1	Aylesbury
Rugby Town	1	0	Slough Town
Soham Town Rangers	1	1	Ashford Town (Middx)
Woodford United	1	0	Marlow

SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE PREMIER

Aylesbury United	2	2	Hertford Town
Biggleswade United	4	1	Kentish Town
Chalfont St Peter	1	0	Tring Athletic
Colney Heath	1	0	Hatfield Town
Dunstable Town	2	1	K'bury London Tigers
Harefield United	0	0	Haringey Borough
Hillingdon Borough	0	1	Hadley
Holmer Green	0	0	Oxhey Jets
Langford	1	1	Hanwell Town
St Margaretsbury	2	2	Royston Town
Stotfold	0	1	Broxbourne Borough

SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Bedford	2	2	Hoddesdon Town
Berkhamsted	5	1	Kings Langley
Buckingham Athletic	1	1	Bedford Town Reserves
Cranfield United	3	3	Amphill Town
Crawley Green	1	0	Wodson Park
Harpenden Town	6	1	Welwyn Garden City
London Colney	1	2	AFC Dunstable
London Lions	4	1	New Bradwell St Peter
Stony Stratford Town	0	2	Amersham Town
Sun Postal Sports	3	0	Cockfosters

SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Bletchley Town	2	1	Winslow United
Brache Sparta Com	2	7	Tring Corinthians
Kent Athletic	1	0	Mursley United
Padbury United	1	0	Risborough Rangers
Pitstone & Ivinghoe	2	0	Old Bradwell United
The 61 FC (Luton)	1	1	Caddington
Totternhoe	2	1	Aston Clinton

LUTON DISTRICT & SOUTH BEDS FOOTBALL LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

Christians in Sport	2	2	Ewe & Lamb
Lewsey Park	1	2	Offley Social
Luton Leagrave	6	0	St Josephs
Real F'n'E	3	2	Stopsley Common
USL Saturday	1	0	Farley Boys

DIVISION ONE

61FC 3rd XI	2	0	Farley Boys 2nd XI
Caddington 2nd XI	4	2	Blue Line Aces
CO OP Sports 2nd XI	L	L	Square
FourModel FC	6	0	North Sundon

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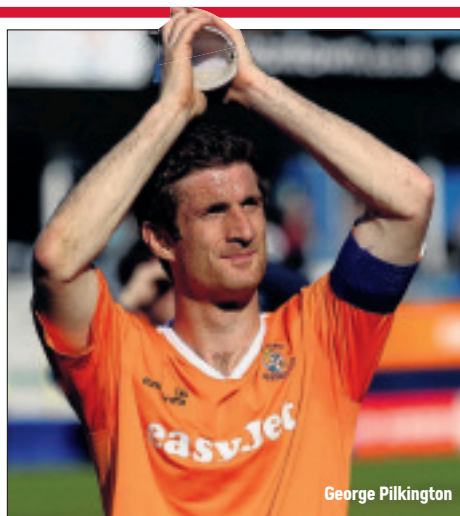
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Wembley is big spur for Pilkington to beat Stags

WEMBLEY is in touching distance for Luton Town but there is an added incentive to claim some silverware this season for George Pilkington as he'd get to fulfil a dream of leading his team up the stadium steps to lift a cup.

The Hatters skipper has already played at the national stadium in the club's Johnstone's Paint Trophy success three years ago under the captaincy of Kevin Nicholls and he knows that there is no bigger carrot to help see them past Mansfield Town in the semi-final than a chance to play under the arch again.

Town travel to Field Mill for a midday kick-off today and the first of a semi-final double-header against the Stags but memories of cup finals are still bright in Pilkington's mind.

"Having experienced it I want more of it," he said.

"There's never a bad time to go and play at Wembley. It's

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Money mad at the FA for semi switch

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RICHARD Money has hit out at rivals and the Football Association for switching their FA Trophy semi-final first leg at Mansfield Town to midday today.

The change from 3pm yesterday has left the Luton Town manager in a dilemma of whether to field a full strength side and go all guns blazing to secure a Wembley final or take a risk and rest players with their Conference clash at Cambridge United on Tuesday night in mind.

Tuesday night in mind.

Had Chasetown beaten the Stags on Tuesday night in a replay of the other semi-final then the two would have played yesterday and Town would already be turning their attention to the league match. But after Mansfield's 3-1 victory over the Staffordshire side it means a trip to Nottinghamshire this afternoon.

"It makes life difficult for us," Money said. "It would have been nice for people to show us a little bit of consideration. I'm sure that they would want us to go with a strong team and try and get us through to Wembley but the fact that we've got to play at 12 o'clock and then Tuesday night is not a good situation for us.

"We'll cope with it and do the best we can. I'm just disappointed the clubs concerned and the FA have not seen fit to try and help us, but I would say that no-one tries to help us, but that's me being cynical."



POSITIVES: Adam Newton has recovered from a six month Achilles injury and Richard Money has included him in today's squad to face Mansfield – To read about his comeback turn to page 56 & 57

With Town a possible 180 minutes away from the first final under his tenure, Money was however quick to point out the value of success in the FA Trophy.

"It's more than a break from the league, it's a very important cup competition now for this football club," he said.

"We desperately want to get to Wembley.

make no mistakes about it. We are going to try and do everything we can to make that happen but, as I've said all along, I've always got to have one eye on our league status and position.

"All I'm saying, is that Sunday and Tuesday doesn't help us when there's no need, in my view."

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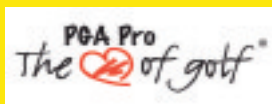
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